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## NZ PM INDUCTS FIRST-EVER INDIAN-ORIGIN MINISTER

**Priyanca Radhakrishnan, who has roots in Ernakulam, bags three key portfolios in PM Jacinda Ardem's new ministry**

### BORN IN CHENNAI TO MALAYALI PARENTS

A second-time MP from the Labour Party, Priyanca is one of the five new faces in PM Ardern's ministry. She's been given charge of three portfolios—community and voluntary sector; diversity, inclusion and ethnic communities; and youth development. Her parents, originally from Kerala's Ernakulam district, moved to Chennai where Priyanca was born

### A FIGHTER FOR DOMESTIC ABUSE VICTIMS

- In August, Priyanca was noticed in Kerala, when she appeared alongside PM Ardern in a live video to extend Onam greetings
- Prior to becoming an MP in 2017, she had been a social worker, who fought to advance the rights of domestic abuse victims
- Her great-grandfather was associated with Left politics in Kerala

41-yr-old
HAS BEEN A MEMEBER OF THE LABOUR PARTY FOR 14 YEARS

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# Green shoots? Factory output at decade high

Experts say the numbers need to be read with caution as festive cheer may fade; Must wait for December trends

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@New Delhi

A day after the GST collection figures for October showed a robust uptick, rising past the ₹1 lakh crore-mark, results of a monthly survey on factory output on Monday brought more cheer to the economy.

As sales continue to surge in the ongoing festive season, India's manufacturing sector activity improved for the third straight month in October, a monthly survey among purchasing managers of 400 manufacturers said on Monday.

The IHS Markit India Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) rose to 58.9 in October — the highest since mid-2008. In PMI parlance, an index reading above 50 indicates growth.

"New orders and output at Indian manufacturers continued to recover from Covid-19-induced contractions seen earlier, with PMI results for October highlighting historically sharp monthly rates of expansion," said Pollyanna De Lima, economics associate director, IHS Markit.

While the latest PMI data along with the impressive GST numbers released on Sunday

may give the impression that the economy is recovering, experts advise caution. According to them, the festive season can spur economic activities, but one needs to watch if the trend continues beyond the festive season.

"One needs to be cautious while reading this number. This is the festive season and we are coming from a severe lockdown, which needs to be taken into account. One should watch post-December trends, after the festive season," said Madan Sabnavis, Chief Economist, CARE Ratings.

### Job cuts continue for 7th month in a row

The survey said companies cut staff for the seventh month in a row, a streak not witnessed since the survey began in 2005. It, however, did not indicate the quantum of job loss

Another growing concern was that despite increase in demand, manufacturers recorded a further reduction in employment.

"There was disappointing news on the employment front though, with October seeing another reduction in payroll numbers. Survey participants who noted job shedding, mentioned having observed containment measures to halt the spread of the coronavirus disease 2019," the survey said.

This indicates that employers are cautious, despite their optimism that things will improve in the coming months.

A blanket of smog engulfed Bengaluru on Monday morning, indicating a rise in air pollution levels in the city | ASHISHKRISHNA HP

# B'luru gets ₹139.5 cr to better air quality

ANUSHA RAVI @Bengaluru

BASED on the recommendations of the 15th Finance Commission, the Union Finance Ministry on Monday released ₹2,200 crore as the first installment to 15 states to improve air quality in their million-plus cities.

Karnataka has received ₹139.5 crore from the funds for Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike as urban local body grant. The entire amount released to Karnataka has been allocated to Bengaluru alone. "This will help the beneficiary States to undertake air quality measures, including capacity-building of the local bodies within their million-plus cities/agglomerations," the ministry said.

Karnataka also received its second tranche of funds to offset GST compensation cess shortfall along with 15 other states on Monday.

The Union Finance Ministry, in a press release, said that ₹6,000 crore was being released to 16 states and three Union Territories under the special window of borrowing. "This amount was raised at a weighted average yield of 4.42 per cent. This amount will be passed on to the States/UTs at the same interest rate, which is lower than the cost of borrowings for the States and UTs," the ministry stated.

The allocation for each stage from the ₹6,000 crore was unclear with the ministry not giving a breakup. Officials of Karnataka finance department too are awaiting details to determine Karnataka's allocation from the second tranche.

MANIPAL hospitals to acquire Columbia asia

The healthcare major will invest ₹2,100 crore towards the 100% buyout. The combined entity will have 27 hospitals in 15 cities | P13

## TRUMP OR BIDEN?

VOTERS TO DECIDE TODAY

239 million
People eligible to vote this year

94 million
Ballots already cast because of the Covid situation. It is about two-thirds of the overall 2016 vote count of 138.8 million

34.6 million of them are in-person votes. Both Trump and Biden have already cast their ballot

60.4 mn Mail-in ballots, could take days or weeks to be counted in some states, so the winner might not be declared hours after polls close on Tuesday

Trump set to spend election night at White House

Twitter to lean on seven outlets to help determine whether a race is officially called - ABC News, AP, CNN, CBS News, Decision Desk HQ, Fox News and NBC News

### BRACING FOR BIDEN

High-net-worth Americans are busy setting up trust funds, giving large gifts to heirs and philanthropies, and even selling family businesses as they brace for the tax hikes a Biden presidency might bring, Axios reports | P12,16

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### Bypoll for Gasti's RS seat on Dec 1, says EC

New Delhi: Bypoll to the Rajya Sabha seat which was vacated following the demise of MP Ashok Gasti due to Covid-19 will be held on December 1, the Election Commission of India announced on Monday. BJP's Gasti passed away on September 17. P4

### AG's no to consent for case on Jagan

New Delhi: Attorney General K K Venugopal Monday termed as "prima facie contumacious" the conduct of AP CM Jagan Mohan Reddy for making allegations against the judiciary, but declined consent to initiate contempt proceedings. P7

# At least 22 dead in Kabul univ campus massacre

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GUNMEN stormed Kabul University in Afghanistan's capital on Monday, killing at least 22 students, including 10 women, and leaving 22 others wounded. The attack happened minutes before Iran's ambassador to the country was to arrive for the opening of a book fair.

It all began around 11 am local time when a suicide bomber blew himself up inside the campus. Two gunmen then opened fire indiscriminately and took dozens hostage, while hundreds of other students fled with many scaling the campus' perimeter walls.

Images posted on social media showed what appeared to be the bodies of students lying in pools of blood in classrooms. "They opened fire... all my classmates were lying in blood, either dead or wounded," a student said.

After six hours of fierce fighting, the two assailants were killed by the Afghan security forces with US support.

Afghan security forces prepare to go into Kabul University on Monday | AP

### RISE IN VIOLENCE AS PEACE PROCESS UNDER WAY

Kabul: Monday's attack on Kabul University comes amid a relentless rise in violence across Afghanistan as the Taliban and the Afghan government are negotiating a peace agreement. Their talks in Qatar have made little progress. President Ashraf Ghani vowed to take revenge. "This attack will not remain without response," he said.

The Islamic State (IS) claimed responsibility. Joining the global outrage, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said, "I strongly condemn the cowardly terrorist attack... Our prayers are with the families of the victims and the injured." Pakistan, too, called it an "act of terrorism".

"I can't even name a place that wasn't attacked. The new frontline is everywhere. Those killed and wounded wanted to be doctors, engineers for tomorrow's Afghanistan," tweeted noted Afghan-based journalist Bilal Sarwary.

"We were very scared and we thought it could be the last day of our lives... boys and girls were shouting, praying and crying for help," Ahmadi Samim, a student, said. He reported seeing gunmen, armed with pistols and Kalashnikov assault rifles, firing at students in the university's eastern side, where its law and journalism faculties teach.

It is not clear how many students were in the university at the time of the attack. By one account, there were at least 800 students in the social studies wing alone. Most students were in their respective classrooms when the rampage began. They were under siege for hours before being rescued.

The attack on Afghanistan's oldest university with nearly 17,000 students comes a week after 24 students were killed in an attack on a school in Kabul, which was also claimed by the IS group.

### DRAMATIC PIC OF THE THUMB GRAB

Elif Perincek, a three-year-old survivor, (left) holding the thumb of a rescue worker as she is carried out of a collapsed building three days after an earthquake in the Aegean port city of Izmir. The rescuer found her lying motionless and asked for a body bag when she suddenly opened her eyes and grabbed his thumb. (Right) The injured but safe Elif in her hospital bed | AP

# 3-yr-old rescued 65 hrs after quake in Turkey

WHEN firefighter Muammer Celik reached a three-year-old girl trapped for three days under the rubble of a deadly earthquake in a Turkish coastal city, his heart sank. She was lying motionless, covered in dust, and he asked a colleague for a body bag. But as Celik extended his arm to wipe her face, the child opened her eyes and grabbed his thumb.

"That's where we saw a miracle," Celik of the Istanbul fire department's search-and-rescue team told AP, recounting Monday's operation 65 hours after the quake hit, killing 93 people in Turkey and Greece.

It was the second dramatic rescue on Monday after 14-year-old Idil Sirin was also pulled out alive. Onlookers applauded with joy at both scenes in Izmir, where the vast majority of the deaths and 1,000 injuries have occurred.

The US Geological Survey rated the quake 7.0, though other agencies recorded it as less severe. Many buildings were completely reduced to rubble or saw several floors pancake in on themselves in Turkey.

Celik said he found Elif Perincek lying on her back between her bed and a closet in a space that was just big enough for her. "At first I was very upset," he said.

"Then I stretched out my hand to clean her face and she grabbed my thumb... I froze because right before that moment, I had asked my team for a blanket and a body bag," he added.

ALL THAT GLITTERS

# 'Gold' bangle shines at Ekalavya awards event

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THE event was the presentation of Ekalavya awards at the banquet hall in the Vidhana Soudha on Monday.

Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa, usually reticent, seemed to be in a relaxed mood, after hectic campaigning for the bypolls in the last few days. While some awards were given by the CM, some were presented by ministers R Ashoka and C T Ravi.

After giving the awards to a few, Yediyurappa who was standing next to Shivajinagar MLA Rizwan Arshad all of a sudden bent towards Khushi Dinesh, a young swimmer, and asked if it was a gold bangle she was wearing on her right hand. When Khushi said it was an imitation piece, Yediyurappa smilingly told her to buy gold bangles and wear them.

Khushi, 17, is making a name in the national level swimming competitions. Later, speaking to reporters, Khushi said, "It felt very nice that my bangle caught the attention of the Chief Minister and he spoke to me."

Prior to this golden aside, the CM urged sportspersons to prepare themselves to take part in the 2028 Olympics and assured them that the government would provide them full support.

He told the awardees not to get satisfied with the Ekalavya award, instead work hard to participate in international sports events and make Karnataka and India proud.

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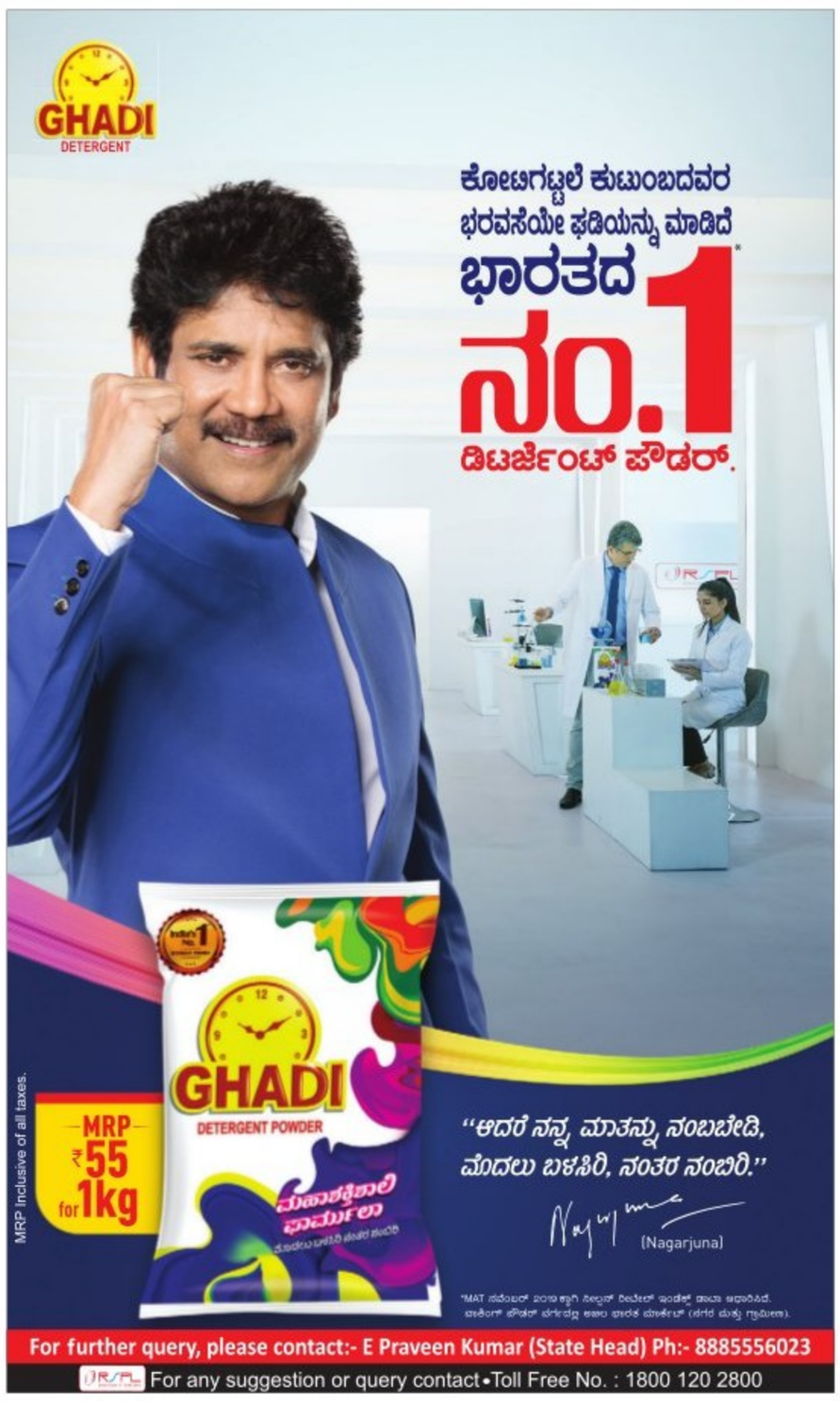
Ekalavya awardees pose with their trophies at Vidhana Soudha on Monday | SHRIRAM BN



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Ritu: Sharad • Masa: Nija Ashwayuja • Paksha: krishna • Tithi: Thrutheeya 12.21 am
Nakshatra: Rohini 12.38 am • Moon in Mithuna Rashi • Rahukaala: 03:00 am to 04:30 am
Gulikakala: 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm • Yamaganda: 09:00 am to 10:30 am

WEATHER
MIN 20°C | MAX 29°C
FORECAST
Showers late. More sun than clouds

Sunrise 6.14 am
Sunset 5.52 pm
Moonrise 7.57 pm
Moonset 8.15 am



# BDA TO PROCURE 450 ACRES FOR LAND LOSERS

To compensate those who lost land for Arkavathy

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

SOME relief is in sight for farmers who have lost their land to Arkavathy Layout in Bangalore North. The Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) plans to either hand over its vacant lands in any of its 64 Layouts or will acquire another 450 acres in Arkavathy and give it to the land losers.

The BDA had planned the Layout with 11,000 sites in 2003-2004. It acquired 1,806 acres of land to form the layout and 8,813 applicants have been allotted sites. A series of denotification orders was issued from 2004 to 2014, affecting 3,230 site owners and 300 landowners.

> We got the consent for this plan at the recent BDA Board Meeting. We have identified them in many villages and are preparing a preliminary notification
>
> BDA official

The issue has raged on since then with farmers protesting at the BDA head office every fortnight until Covid brought them to a halt since March this year.

A top official told *The New Indian Express*, "We have begun a land audit of our properties spread across 64 layouts. Though most of them have been developed and handed over to the BBMP, the vacant lands and some CA sites are still in our possession. Our audit will be out in a month. If we find sufficient land, we will offer them as exchange to Arkavathy land losers. This is our Plan A."

In case the land available is not sufficient, a Plan B too is ready. "We are looking at acquiring nearly 450 acres of land within Arkavathy itself. We will then hand it over to those who have lost their land. We got the consent for this plan at the recent BDA Board Meeting. We have identified them in many villages and are preparing a preliminary notification." Two top BDA officials confirmed that these options were on hand to solve the issue.

However, an official said that Plan A is more likely to happen. "The process of acquisition of land would take another two years and continue to delay the compensation for land losers."

### BDA mulling sale of 5k more sites in KG Layout

With allottees handing back to the Bangalore Development Authority a total of 970 out of 10,000 sites that had been allotted to them in two phases, the Authority is now thinking of going in for the third round of allocation. "We are thinking of allotting these 970 sites as well as an additional 4,000 sites at KG Layout. Farmers who have lost their lands will be given priority in the allocation," a senior official said. "The sites were returned for various reasons, including Vaastu, inability to get bank loans, financial emergencies and dissatisfaction with the allotted site," the official added.

# No tree felled for NR Colony skywalk, BBMP tells HC

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THE Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) on Monday informed the Karnataka High Court that it has not felled any tree till date for the construction of a skywalk near the main bus stop at NR Colony in the city.

However, some branches of the trees were trimmed by forest department workers to allow construction of the skywalk, the BBMP told the court.

The BBMP gave the information through a statement of objections filed before the division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice S Vishwajith Shetty. It was in response to the directions of the court on a public interest litigation filed by Prashanth Rao against the construction of the skywalk at that spot.

Producing photographs to prove the status of trees near the skywalk, BBMP counsel V Sreenidhi said that they will ensure that debris or construction material is not piled up near the skywalk, obstructing the movement of pedestrians or public and remove any debris immediately after the construction.

He said that an official has been deputed at the site as per court's orders, and no public property encroached whatsoever. The landing pillars of the skywalk are being placed on the footpaths, but they won't inconvenience pedestrians, as there is enough space for them to move about. Once the construction is completed, it will enable pedestrians to cross the road easily and safely, he said.

The BBMP is also installing a lift in the skywalk to help senior citizens and patients visiting a hospital next to the skywalk. The lift can carry 18 people at a time and is powered by a generator.

Taking note of the statement, the bench adjourned the hearing to enable the petitioner to file a response to BBMP's statement.

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### Water supply to be disrupted on 2 days

Bengaluru: Water supply will be disrupted for 16 hours on Wednesday and Thursday in many areas in the city due to pipeline work undertaken by the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB). According to an official release, supply will be disrupted from 2 pm to 6 am in Govindarajnagar, Kaveripura, Ranganatapura, Prashanthnagar, MC Layout, Muneshwaranagar, BDA Layout, Kamakshipalya, HSR Layout, Syndicate Bank Colony, Vijayangar, Telecom Layout, Vijayanagar Pipeline, CSBS Layout, Marenahalli and Chandra Layout. The disruption is because of work undertaken in connection with linking and commissioning of the Mild Steel Pipeline along Magadi Main Road. ENS

DAY OF THE DEAD

A family offers prayers during All Souls' Day at a cemetery on Mysuru Road in Bengaluru on Monday. The day is observed to commemorate and remember all those who have passed on | SHRIRAM BN

FERTILITY TEST

# City firm's device gets US FDA nod

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@Bengaluru

A city- based medical technology startup Inito on Monday announced that its Fertility Monitor has cleared the regulatory pathway of the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

The Fertility Monitor is a small device that enables smart phones to perform lab-grade fertility diagnostic tests at home. Inito's patented 'Flatlens' technology allows dozens of diagnostic tests.

As of now, the device supports fertility tests and other tests like diabetes, thyroid and Vitamin D tests are soon to be added.

"The clearance paves the way for the product's launch in the US, and also allows access to countries that have signed the Mutual Recognition Agreement with the FDA," it said in a statement released to the media. The company believes that home diagnostics will soon become an integral part of the medical ecosystem.

AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

# *12 volumes on the life and works of Kuvempu digitised*

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AFTER nearly two decades of research, Kannada University Hampi brought out a magnum opus -- 12 volumes on the life and works of Rashtrakavi Kuvempu. These include his letters to friends and family. And the university has digitised it.

The whole effort started in 1999 when Dr K C Shivareddy, Professor at Kannada University Hampi, began collecting the works, letters, interviews and anecdotes on the life of Kuppali Venkatappa Puttappa, popularly known as Kuvempu.

The most significant is the letters that Kuvempu wrote to his family and friends, Shivareddy told *TNIE*.

Shivareddy had quite some convincing to do (even Kuvempu's son Poornachandra Tejaswi) to let the letters become public."These letters give nuanced shades of Kuvempu's life-- from instilling financial discipline in his children, to his camaraderie with writers who influenced him. I reminded Tejaswi about other writers whose letters played an important role in understanding their creative writing holistically," Shivareddy said.

Deputy CN Ashwath Narayan and VTU V-C Karisiddappa (right) launch the digital version of Kuvempu's works

Individual volumes were out over the year, and the compilation of all 12 volumes was out on Monday. This compilation was put in digitised form, on the insistence of Deputy Chief Minister Ashwath Narayan, said Dr Shivakumar, co-founder of Bhashini Services, whose team converted the texts into Unicode, a readable EPUB format, in less than 15 days.

Shivakumar, an engineering graduate from the Indian Institute of Science, had given up his corporate job to pursue his dream of making Indian literature go digital. He used his expertise of Machine Learning (OCR & TTS) in which he got a PhD, to digitise more than 500 books of prominent Kannada writers.

S C Ramesh, Vice Chancellor, Kannada University Hampi, told TNIE that the university had already released more than 2,000 titles, yet saw the importance of technology in literature.

Karisiddappa, Vice Chancellor, Visvesvaraya Technological University, which collaborated on this venture, said that a maximum number of National Poets (Rashtrakavis) are from Karnataka, and digitising would only take this literature to a global audience.

## Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

**3rd November : I was just looking at the plans for the first space resort, being designed by an American company with the unlikely name of Wimberly Allison Tong and Goo. Apparently, they were aiming for a start date in 2017. I was really looking forward to it! Perhaps see you there this year?**

**ARIES** (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
I don't think you'll have any choice but to listen to what other people are saying over the next month. You may even have to do what they are doing, belying your natural reputation as a go-getter. And, for today, I'd advise a huge dose of compromise - and resilience.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Short as well as long-term cycles emphasise financial conditions. From pensions and major procurements down to minor points of monetary etiquette, you must keep a very close eye on your cash-flow. However, that's only part of the picture on a day which sees massive changes in mood.

**GEMINI** (May 22 - June 21)
Hopefully, the toughest planetary aspect of the day will occur while you're occupied elsewhere. And if all goes well, by the time you get involved, major problems should be past, leaving you to cope with minor outbreaks of hysteria from someone who should know better.

**CANCER** (June 22 - July 23)
Don't worry about being passed by or passed over. Nobody with any sensitivity can ignore someone like you for very long. Only a mix of the weird and wonderful with the utterly down-to-earth and ordinary, will satisfy you from now until the end of the year.

**LEO** (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Lunar alignments maintain a benevolent sway over your earthly affairs. If the evidence is to be believed, the Moon's current alignment should benefit your material resources as well as your mind and emotions. You might find that difficult to believe, today!

**VIRGO** (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
The Moon is undoubtedly contributing to a spot of background tension, but then there would be no change without challenge, would there? Take a fresh look at various domestic assumptions and family agreements which may have gone unquestioned for too long.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
There still seems to be a lot, perhaps too much, going on behind the scenes. The planets show little indication of any threat, so we can hopefully discount the possibility of conspiracies and plots. Instead we may expect selfless, charitable endeavours to flourish.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
It's not often you have a time as packed with punchy, planetary alignments as over the next two weeks. What is at stake is your freedom of movement and your ability to change your life and circumstances as you see fit. It's all a question of how far you are prepared to curb your wilder instincts!

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Symbolically speaking the Moon is under your control today. This means that as far as home and family affairs are concerned, you may receive the credit, but you can't escape your obligations to children and loved ones. It also, by the way, means that partners may have to come first.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
In the ancient art of political astrology, the Sun is the symbol of the reigning monarch. The fact that this brilliant star is traversing a prosperous and colourful region of your horoscope means that you must now aim for the very top or miss a grand opportunity.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Don't feel left out. There'll be time enough soon to strut around in the limelight and, in the meantime, you might be advised to take advantage of each and every chance to put your feet up. The only problem is that, first of all, you have to explain why you're not prepared to continue with your commitments!

**PISCES** (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Mercury and Venus are two planets which are vital if you are to put your point across successfully. When you're making phone calls, writing letters or merely joining in a heated debate, please have your facts straight. Otherwise I have a feeling that partners will soon notice!

**THE PHANTOM**

"MOM"?
THAT WOMAN WE CALL "MOM," SHE'S...!
O--OUR FAVORITE AUNT! YES, THAT'S IT, MRS. DAFT!
SHE'S SO MUCH OUR FAVORITE SHE MIGHT AS WELL BE OUR MOM!
KAORA AND I HAVE CALLED HER "MOM" EVER SINCE WE WERE LITTLE KIDS!
THANKS FOR THE PANCAKES, MRS. DAFT!

**HI AND LOIS**

**BEETLE BAILEY**

**BLONDIE**

**LOCKHORNS**

**DENNIS THE MENACE**

Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

## SUDOKU

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**MEDIUM**

- Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.
- Each sudoku has a unique solution that can be reached logically without guessing.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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| 9 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 8 | 4 |

**JUMBLE**

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

MIRGE
THHUC
SWRULA
TOSEOH

They're making progress.
We should be on the other side today.
THEY STARTED WORK ON THE MOUNTAIN TUNNEL AND WOULD WORK UNTIL THEY ----

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: FENCE LARVA ROTARY SUBMIT
Answer: The deacon introduced herself to the church's minister by saying — AT YOUR SERVICE

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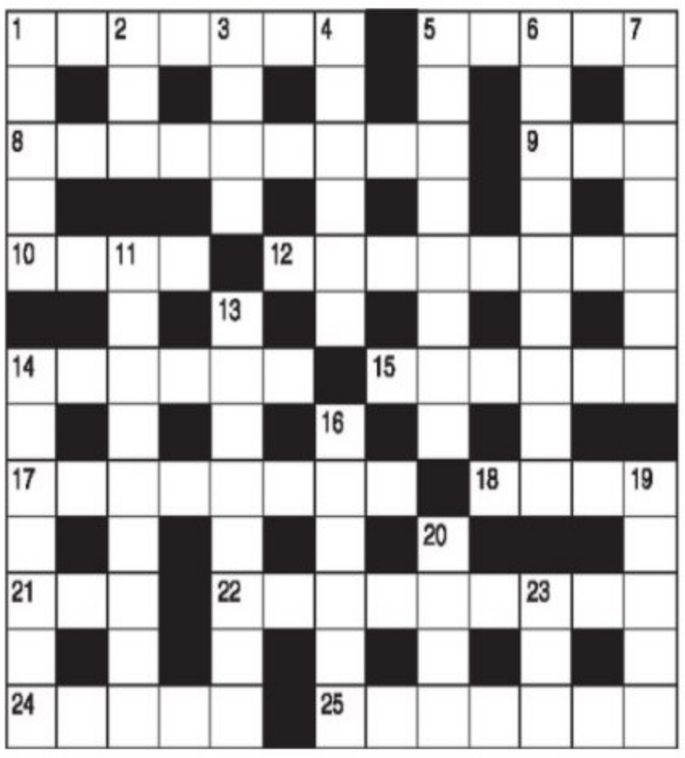
**CROSS WORD**



**ACROSS**

1 Foreign money is for the animal-lover (7)
5 What an Italian lady may be called and no mistake (5)
8 A marsh plant providing a variety of materials (5-4)
9 Phileas cut down pea soup? (3)
10 Empty sheep range (4)
12 Under no obligation to observe the customs? (4-4)
14 Former arrangement to change for the better (6)
15 Workers' associations in unison perhaps (6)
17 Quantity of coal you'd be thankful to have? (8)
18 Customs applications (4)
21 Some black resin (3)
22 Broke nine volts circuit (9)
24 Poet of golden study (5)
25 See 5 Down

**DOWN**

1 Bone and fur holds me up (5)
2 Some music of vital importance (3)
3 Various acts in the play (4)
4 A figure in the art world (6)
5 and 25 Across: Off-putting manoeuvres (8,7)
6 Being villainous, use no fair play (9)
7 A capital lager is brewed here (7)
11 Promised to go into the union (9)
13 As I infer it's a variety of cattle (8)
14 All appears in crazy gear fit for a king (7)
16 It's reddish-brown but not orange (6)
19 Collection is raised in places (5)
20 Smart fellow the French take into account (4)
23 I follow the Spanish priest (3)

**YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS**

**Across:** 1 Eternity, 5 Upas, 9 Papaw, 10 Presage, 11 Demonstrated, 13 Assent, 14 Orison, 17 Single-minded, 20 Brownie, 21 Impel, 22 Eyes, 23 Hedgerow.

**Down:** 1 Espy, 2 Express, 3 Newfoundland, 4 Typist, 6 Plant, 7 Speeding, 8 Heartrending, 12 Passable, 15 Sleeper, 16 Impede, 18 Niobe, 19 Clew.

SILVER LINING

## People mask up, dust allergies come down

MALLIKARJUN HIREMATH @ Dharwad

WHILE Covid-19 has wreaked havoc across the world, one of the measures taken to contain it - wearing of masks - has had positive effects on public health in Dharwad.

Respiratory allergies, lung infections, asthma, and illnesses such as eczema (skin condition) and are common among Hubballi and Dharwad residents due to dust kicked up by vehicles.

A resident with chronic throat infection said he wondered why his condition improved recently.

"At least twice a month I consulted a doctor for dust allergy. I was advised to wear a mask, but never gave it serious thought until Covid. That brought the big change in my health," he said.

He said a majority of roads in the two cities are either pothole-ridden or dusty, and authorities have simply not addressed the problem. "The Hubballi Dharwad Municipal Corporation bought sweeping machines, but nobody knows if they work. Two-wheeler riders and pedestrians have been bearing the brunt of this inefficiency over the last 10 years," he said.

Physician Dr Jagadish Naik said in the past, he saw many patients with dust-related infections, but after the Covid-19 outbreak, that number has come down. "It is because the amount of dust being inhaled has come down. We suggest people continue to wear masks," he said.

# 11% police test+ve, 87 lose lives

One family member of deceased personnel to be given govt job, says state police chief

BALA CHAUHAN @ Bengaluru

AROUND 11% of the over 80,000 police force in Karnataka has tested positive for Covid-19 till date. As on November 2, there were 9,348 positive cases, of which 8,052 police personnel have already recovered and been discharged from hospital.

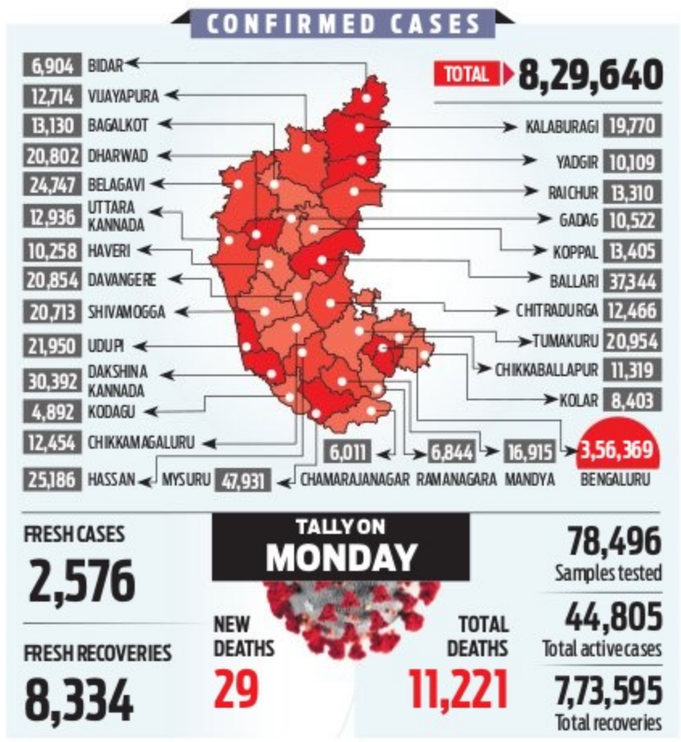
Of the 9,348 cases, which include Bengaluru City police, 87 police personnel, including two women, unfortunately succumbed to the deadly virus.

In Bengaluru City, 2,904 police personnel have so far tested positive, of whom 2,432 have recovered and been discharged from hospital, and 31 personnel lost their lives to Covid-19.

"The State government has made Rs 30 lakh ex-gratia payment to each of the 84 cops who lost their lives on frontline Covid-19 duty. The families of three policemen, who we recently lost to the virus, will also receive the ex-gratia amount of Rs 30 lakh each. One family member of all our deceased frontline police personnel will be offered a government job," Director General & Inspector General of Police (DG&IGP) Praveen Sood told The New Indian Express. He added that of the 87 deaths, a majority was aged above 50 years. "But we have also lost some young policemen aged between 30 and 40 years," said the police chief.

Sood said there is a downhill trend in the number of Covid-19 cases among frontline police personnel, in the past couple of weeks. "The number has come down from 100 cases per day in July/August to 20 to 30 cases every day now. There are days when new cases are in single digits. This is a healthy development, but we cannot let our guard down. Covid-19 protocols are being strictly adhered to by the police," added Sood.

On April 30, Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa had announced ex-gratia of Rs 30 lakh to anganwadi workers, helpers, pourakarmikas and police personnel who die due to Covid-19.




# Recoveries up, active cases slide

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AFTER four long months, Karnataka has seen a drastic drop in daily cases. On July 14, the State recorded 2,496 cases, and a similar number was seen on November 1, with 2,576 new cases. The low number of cases, after four months, shows that Karnataka has started to fare better compared to the past three months.

As of November 1, Karnataka reported 2,576 new cases, with the tally at 8,29,640. A total of 29 new Covid deaths and 8,334 discharges were reported, while Bengaluru recorded 1,439 new cases.

The state's recovery rate is on the rise, mortality rate is consistently dropping, and so is the number of active cases. On November 2, the recovery rate was 93.24%, the highest so far. Mortality rate dropped from 2% in July to 1.35% currently.

Medical Education Minister Dr K Sudhakar said that though numbers have dropped, people need to follow norms to flatten the curve further. "We have conducted the most number of tests in the country, and will continue to do so. Many states shied away by not doing tests as they were worried they would record more cases. But we kept testing to catch the infection early, identify primary and secondary contacts early, and treat them early. This protocol has brought us results. I'm happy that the number of cases has come down, however, people's behaviour needs to change. Following Covid norms will reduce cases. We are still vulnerable to infection and need to follow norms."

> **The infection is spreading from one area to another, right now we are seeing more cases in Bengaluru due to more testing. If testing goes up in the districts, we will see more cases again**
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> Dr Giridhar Babu, epidimiologist

But Dr Giridhar Babu, head of Lifecourse Epidemiology at the Public Health Foundation of India, said, "The infection is spreading from one area to another, right now we are seeing more cases in Bengaluru due to more testing. If testing goes up in the districts, we will see more cases again."

# Post bypoll, tests to be ramped up

Officials anticipate surge due to campaigning in Sira, RR Nagar

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BBMP health workers collect swab samples at KR Market in Bengaluru | EXPRESS

COULD intense campaigning for the Assembly bypolls at Sira (Tumakuru district) and Rajarajeshwari Nagar (Bengaluru) have led to a spurt in Covid-19 cases in these two constituencies?

To check any such spread, Health officials plan to conduct random tests in the two constituencies after polling on Tuesday. "The random tests are necessary as a number of politicians from all political parties visited the constituencies and held public rallies that were attended by large crowds over the last 15 days," officials said.

"The number of cases has come down in Karnataka and Bengaluru. But public rallies at the two constituencies may trigger a spurt. We have to conduct the tests to check Covid spread," said a BBMP official, requesting anonymity.

It is suspected that the number of cases may go up as people attended public meetings without masks or maintaining social distancing, an official from Sira said. "Tests are planned after the polling day so that they don't impact the poll results," the BBMP official said.

The RR Nagar constituency has over 4.5 lakh voters, while Sira has 2.2 lakh. Even if half of them turn up for voting, the number of people at polling booths would be large. Allaying any fears, Karnataka Chief Electoral Officer Sanjiv Kumar told *TNIE* that all Covidprecautions are in place and polling booths have been sanitised. Arrangements have been made to check the temperature of voters and hand sanitiser placed at strategic spots. "If the government is conducting tests for the public in these constituencies, polling staff will be included too," he said.

EXPRESS READ

### No mask needed for solo drivers

BENGALURU: When Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike made masks mandatory even for people driving solo with the windows rolled up, the civic body drew flak from the public. Now, a week later, the state government has scrapped the rule. The State government's Technical Advisory Committee which met on November 1 clarified to the BBMP that drivers need not wear masks if they are alone in a car and the windows are rolled up. However, to the BBMP's query on whether a solo two-wheeler rider should wear a mask, the committee's answer was a yes.

BEFORE THE HON'BLE 15th ADDITIONAL CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE COURT, AT BANGALORE
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# Where is the money? Siddu red-flags big loans, state says under 3% of GSDP

ANUSHA RAVI @ Bengaluru

WITH amendments to the Karnataka Fiscal Responsibility Act passed by the assembly, allowing additional borrowing for this fiscal year, the State government can borrow up to Rs 90,000 crore in loans — making up 5 per cent of the Gross State Domestic Product. Opposition leader and Congress Legislature Party chief Siddaramaiah has raised a red flag over the heavy borrowings under the garb of pandemic and flood compensation. In a series of tweets over the State's financial status, Siddaramaiah asked the government where all the money went, that it is being compelled to borrow heavily for compensation.

"Government is set to raise loan of Rs 90,000 crore to pay compensation for farmers and to address the pandemic. They claim that coffers are empty. Then what happened to all the money? Did it end up in the Chief Minister and Ministers' pocket?" Siddaramaiah asked.

The Congress leader and former Chief Minister was questioning the delay in distributing compensation to those affected due to the pandemic, as well as three bouts of floods this year alone in Karnataka.

Even as Siddaramaiah claimed that the State government is set to borrow Rs 90,000 crore, finance department officials told TNIE that borrowings, as of now, stand at less than 3 per cent of the GSDP. Karnataka can borrow up to 5 per cent of its GSDP, with the Union government allowing additional borrowing to offset losses arising out of the Covid-19 lockdown slowing down the economy.

"Karnataka's GSDP is Rs 18 lakh crore, and we can borrow up to 5 per cent of the same. We are borrowing as per approved calendar and haven't even reached 3 per cent of the GSDP — 5 per cent of GSDP comes to about Rs 90,000 crore, but borrowing is extended up to March next year-end of the fiscal year," a senior finance official said. If less than 3 per cent, the State's borrowing currently hovers under Rs 54,000 crore. Officials added that heavy borrowing is conventionally seen during December-January.

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"We have the option of carrying forward 1% borrowing of GSDP to the next year. A decision on this will be taken later," said Ekroop Caur, secretary to the government, Finance (Budget and Resources). If it decides not to borrow up to 5 per cent of GSDP in this year alone, the government can carry forward additional borrowing of Rs 18,000 crore to the next fiscal year.

Highlighting the delay in compensation, Siddaramaiah said 2,24,000 houses were damaged in the 2019 floods, but compensation had been given only to 1,24,000 houses. "There are many houses that are damaged this year as well. When will the govt compensate to all these houses? Compensation is not yet given to last year's flood victims & comprehensive survey is not yet conducted for this year's," he tweeted.

**BYPOLL BATTLE**

After two weeks of hectic campaigning, the three parties are keeping their fingers crossed as voters exercise their franchise today; On the last day, allegations of electoral malpractices flew as candidates made last-minute appeal for votes; Security beefed up in RR Nagar and Sira constituencies

Officials on election duty carry EVMs as they head to polling booths in RR Nagar Assembly constituency, in Bengaluru, on Monday | VINOD KUMAR T

# BYPOLLS: MORE THAN RESULT, IT'S THE MESSAGE THAT COUNTS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

TWO assembly segments in Karnataka that witnessed high-voltage campaigning by top leaders from all three parties over the last two weeks will go for polling on Tuesday.

Though results of the RR Nagar constituency in Bengaluru and Sira Assembly segment in Tumakuru district will not have any direct impact on the government, top leaders from BJP, Congress and JDS made all-out efforts. Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa, former Prime Minister H D Deve Gowda, former CM Siddaramaiah, State Congress president D K Shivakumar and several other leaders campaigned extensively to muster support for their party candidates. On Monday, a day before the polling, candidates and their supporters were busy campaigning door-to-door.

Voting will be held from 7 am to 6 pm and elaborate arrangements have been made to conduct the elections amid Covid. All the 1,008 polling booths in the two constituencies will have thermal scanners and hand sanitiser, while security has been tightened. Arrangements have been made to enable those tested Covid-positive too to cast their vote in the evening.

As many as 31 candidates; 15 in Sira and 16 in RR Nagar are in fray and 6.77 lakh voters are eligible to exercise their franchise. The Election Commission is confident of a good voter turnout, but analysts are skeptical. In 2018 polls, RR Nagar had 56 per cent turnout, while Sira 84 per cent.

The bypoll in RR Nagar was necessitated after N Munirathna resigned from Congress and assembly membership in 2019 to support BJP. In Sira, the election has to be held because of the death of JDS MLA B Sathyanarayana. Now, Munirathna as a BJP candidate is pitted against Congress' H Kusuma, wife of late IAS officer D K Ravi, and V Krishnamurthy of JDS in RR Nagar. Late Sathyanarayana's wife Ammajamma is contesting against BJP's Rajesh Gowda and Congress' T B Jayachandra in Sira.

Yediyurappa recently expressed confidence that the BJP will win both seats and had even announced that Munirathna will be made a minister. At RR Nagar, the BJP is depending on Munirathna's own support base as well as BJP supporters, while in Sira it is trying to gain a foothold.

The results will have a loaded message. Yediyurappa looking to reassert his leadership, Shivakumar trying to ensure a victory under his leadership and Deve Gowda aiming to retain his stronghold in Vokkaliga-dominated segments.

**BYPOLL BYTES**

### VIJAYENDRA SEEKS BLESSINGS

Tumakuru: After finishing up with aggressive campaigning in Sira, state BJP Vice President B Y Vijayendra paid a visit to Mandaragiri Hills, a popular pilgrimage spot for Jains. He sought the blessings of saints and promised to develop the area, as members of the Jain community want it to be transformed into another Shravanabelagola in Hassan.

### DIST MINISTER MISSING IN ACTION?

Tumakuru: Did BJP maintain distance from district in-charge minister J C Madhuswamy during Sira campaign? This was the second time he was ignored as during K R Pete bypolls too, he was kept away for allegedly insulting a Kuruba community seer. No strong Lingayat leader, except M P Renukacharya, has been entertained by BJP state V-P B Y Vijayendra, who wants to emerge as a leader beyond the Lingayat tag, sources said.

# In Sira, candidates go door-to-door in last-ditch effort to woo voters

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @Tumakuru

CANDIDATES of all political parties, except JDS contestant Ammajamma B Sathyanarayana, campaigned door-to-door in a last-minute exercise for votes in Sira assembly constituency, which goes to polls on Tuesday.

T B Jayachandra of the Congress paid fleeting visits and met several key local leaders, while BJP's Dr C M Rajesh Gowda visited JDS bastions, such as Bandakunte.

Ammajamma, who had fainted on stage at a public rally at Sira town on Sunday, chose to stay home and rest. But later in the evening, she visited the grave of her husband and former minister B Sathyanarayana at Bhoovanahalli, and performed the rituals observed in the third month after a person's death.

"My husband's work as MLA will work in my favour, and also Appaji's (H D Deve Gowda's) strong campaigning," she told *The New Indian Express*.

Asked who she saw as her rival, she said it was the Congress. Sathyanarayana's native village itself was found to be divided between the three parties, with the BJP targeting the SC (left) community and Kadugolla votes.

Ammajamma's daughter-in-law Radha Sathyaprakash campaigned in the village earlier on Monday morning. Sathyanarayana's close confidant and former ZP member Mudimadu Rangaswamy and other party workers also canvassed in Kadavigere town and surrounding areas.

Farmers, though, were more concerned about their crop, and appeared unmindful of the bypolls. Devanna, aged about 60 years, of Manangi Lambani tanda, was busy harvesting ragi. "Elections come and go, but I have been earning my daily wage of 10 kg of ragi per day," he remarked.

Women labourers were busy slicing arecanut, which has seen a steep price rise — from Rs 35,000 per quintal last year to Rs 60,000 this year.

### POROUS CHECKPOSTS

Tumakuru: Even as the administration claimed that vehicles would be checked thoroughly at checkpoints, one of the key points at Karajeevanahalli toll gate, off NH-48, was found to be porous. The officials in charge did not bother to flag down any vehicles. "It is hot here and I am waiting to hand over charge to the officials who come for the next shift," an official said.

Congress candidate for Sira Assembly segment TB Jayachandra goes on a door-to-door campaign on the eve of polling | EXPRESS

# Cong files plaints, demands Muniratna's disqualification

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE Congress on Monday filed separate complaints with the police and the ECI demanding action against N Muniratna, the BJP candidate in RR Nagar, including his disqualification as a candidate.

The bypolls to two assembly constituencies -- Rajarajeshwari Nagar in Bengaluru Urban district and Sira in Tumakuru district-- will take place on Tuesday.

Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee president D K Shivakumar levelled allegations of fake voters, electoral malpractice, bribery, poll code violation and expenditure violation against Muniratna. In a press conference on Monday, Shivakumar said that 40,000 fake voters had been illegally included in the voters' list for the constituency.

"In houses where there are only one or two legitimate voters, five to six names have been added. Voters have been added with addresses that are in reality either empty plots or vacant houses. I have visited some of them personally. In all, 57 names have been included in a single house," alleged Shivakumar.

> **We are appealing to the ECI to take cognizance of the criminal offences and corrupt practices by Muniratna and his party workers**
>
> DK Shivakumar, KPCC president

"We are appealing to the ECI to take cognizance of the criminal offences and corrupt practices by Muniratna and his party workers. Immediate steps should be taken to prevent the distribution of money and action should be initiated against officials who have allowed corrupt practices. Fake voters should be prevented from voting and Muniratna should be disqualified," Shivakumar said.

The Congress on Sunday released videos purportedly showing BJP workers threatening its workers during the campaign. The party even alleged that local police and the authorities were hand in glove with the BJP.

KPCC president DK Shivakumar addresses the media at the Congress office in Bengaluru on Monday | SHRIRAM BN

**EXPRESS READ**

### Bypoll for RS seat to be held on December 1

Bengaluru: The Election Commission of India announced on Monday that bypolls to the Rajya Sabha seat from Karnataka, necessitated following the death of Ashok Gasti, will be held on December 1. The notification for the RS bypoll will be issued on November 11 and November 18 will be the last date for filing nominations. Voting and counting will be held on the same day, the EC stated in a release. The EC has appointed the Chief Electoral Officer, Karnataka, as the observer for the election. The Chief Secretary has been directed to depute a senior officer from the state to ensure that extant instructions regarding Covid measures are complied with while making arrangements for the elections. Gasti and Eranna Kadadi from the BJP, HD Deve Gowda from JDS, and Mallikarjuna Kharge from the Congress were elected to the RS in June. ENS

### After Yatnal's outburst, V'pura gets Rs 190 crore

Belagavi: Weeks after BJP MLA Basangouda Patil Yatnal flayed Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa for "withholding" funds, the state government has released nearly Rs 190 crore to the Vijayapura urban constituency. Yatnal represents the constituency in the Legislative Assembly. A few weeks ago, MLA Yatnal had alleged, "CM Yediyurappa's days are numbered as he is going to lose his chair. The central leadership is unhappy with him. He is acting like the CM of Shivamogga rather that of Karnataka. Even the grants sanctioned during the JDS-Congress coalition government have been withheld." On Saturday, the state sanctioned Rs 1,350 crore to all the 10 city corporations of the state, where each corporation has been allotted Rs 125 crore, under Mahatma Gandhi Nagar Vikas Yojana. ENS

# 2,563 COPS DEPLOYED FOR RR NAGAR

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CITY police have made elaborate security arrangements ahead of the Rajarajeshwari Nagar bypolls on Tuesday. In all, 2,563 city police personnel will be on the job to ensure that the bypoll go off peacefully.

The deputy commissioners of police (DCPs) of the respective police divisions have been given the responsibility of making the security arrangements. Additional forces have been deployed in areas where sensitive and very sensitive polling booths are located, a senior police officer said.

All DCPs, ACPs and Inspectors have been asked to keep an eye on suspicious persons, and anti-social elements will be taken into preventive custody, he said. People who have licensed weapons have surrendered them following instructions from the police department.

According to election officials, in view of the pandemic, thermal screening will be done and hand sanitizers will be available at polling stations.

CISF personnel on poll duty in RR Nagar constituency | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Voting will be held from 7 am to 6 pm in the two constituencies – RR Nagar and Sira -- with a voting population of 6,78,012, including 3,26,114 women. There will be 1,008 polling stations, comprising 678 in RR Nagar.

In RR Nagar, the BJP has fielded former Congress MLA Munirathna who has since joined the saffron party whereas the Congress has given ticket to H Kusuma, wife of late IAS officer D K Ravi. The JD(S) has fielded V Krishnamurthy.

A total of 54 cases have been registered by the police, which include 13 FIRs and 41 NCRs during the period of campaigning. Police have seized 37 litres of liquor and registered 12 complaints under the excise department, the officer said.

**TIGHT SECURITY**

- 8 ACPs, 20 inspectors, 94 sub-inspectors, 185 assistant sub-inspectors, 1,547 head constables and 699 Home Guards deployed
- 40 Flying squads, KSRP, CAR along with CISF companies
- All Hoysala and Cheetah patrolling vehicles

The Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike on Monday informed the Karnataka High Court that it has not cut or felled any tree till date for the construction of a skywalk near the main bus stop at NR Colony in Bengaluru

Bengaluru City Police Commissioner Kamal Pant looks at the seized contraband in the city on Monday | SHRIRAM BN

# Ten arrested for importing drugs using darknet

In a swoop, raids conducted at eight places; those nabbed include a Nigerian national

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IN a special drive conducted by the Central Crime Branch (CCB) police, 10 people who allegedly purchased drugs through the darknet using bitcoins and sold them to students have been arrested. Narcotic substances worth Rs 90 lakh have been seized from the accused.

The police said that the drive was conducted with the help of Customs officials against those who imported drugs from foreign countries using darknet. Information was gathered about such persons and raids were conducted at eight places in the jurisdiction of HSR Layout, Vijayanagar, Mahalakshmipura, Halasur, KG Halli, Indiranagar, HAL and Ramamurthy Nagar police stations.

"Ten people, including a Nigerian, were arrested during the raids and eight cases registered. Narcotic substances – 660 LSD blots, 386 MDMA and 180 Ecstasy tablets, 12 gm of MDMA crystals, 10 gm of cocaine -- were seized from them. Also, 12 mobile phones, three laptops and two two-wheelers were recovered," Police Commissioner Kamal Pant told the media.

"Investigations revealed that the accused allegedly used Tor search engine through the dark web and booked drugs on some websites that operate only on the darknet. The sellers wrapped the drugs like gifts and sent it as courier through India Post. The accused, who imported the drugs, sold them to students from well-known colleges in the city and other individuals," Pant added.

The accused allegedly made the payments through bitcoins and booked the drugs using websites like Empire Market. "There are several websites on the darknet that allow transactions related to the contraband. Empire Market website was used by the accused to place orders," an official said.

# India Post to handle 80,000 accounts for state govt's Bhagyalakshmi scheme

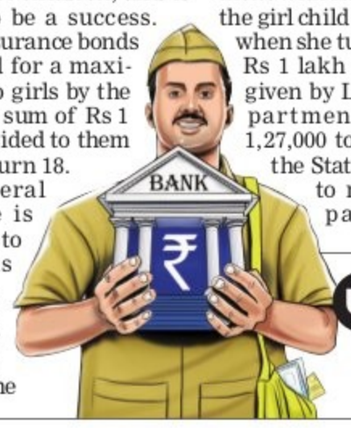
S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

NEARLY 80,000 accounts under Karnataka's popular Bhagyalakshmi scheme for girl children is to be handed over to India Post. An additional 1.5 lakh accounts will be transferred by the women and child welfare department to the postal department in Karnataka annually. The new arrangement is expected to benefit the girl child with a bigger lumpsum when she turns 18, as well as permit the State to make its deposit as small sums over a long period.

A Cabinet meeting on October 22, headed by Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa, decided to shift the scheme for the financial year 2020-2021 from Life Insurance Corporation (LIC), which was handling it since 2006-2007, to India Post's Sukanya Samriddhi Account scheme of India. The reason was that LIC offered a low rate of interest compared to the postal department.

The scheme, implemented to improve the sex ratio in the state, was an incentive for Below Poverty Line (BPL) families with girl children, and is reported to be a success. Under it, insurance bonds were issued for a maximum of two girls by the State, and a sum of Rs 1 lakh is provided to them when they turn 18.

The General Post Office is gearing up to take on this scheme. "We are earmarking a separate section on the first floor with 12 staffers, and are recruiting them to handle this account. We expect all accounts to be transferred by the State government within a month," said a postal official.




A senior official in the women and child welfare department told TNIE, "The arrangement with India Post will help the girl child get better returns when she turns 18. Instead of Rs 1 lakh which was to be given by LIC, the postal department will give Rs 1,27,000 to each girl. From the State's point, we have to make a one-time payment of Rs 19,300. India Post allows us to pay annual amounts of Rs 3,000 for each child for 15 years, and this is easier for the government from the financial point of view," the official explained.

The Anganwadi teacher will connect children with the WCD department, who will open the accounts and then transfer them to the postal department.

In all, 29 lakh Bhagyalakshmi accounts have already been opened under LIC. "It applies to all accounts that were opened since April 1, 2020," the official said.

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Official, Women and Child Welfare Department

EXPRESS READ

## Rs 1.5L WORTH FISH STOLEN IN MYSURU

Mysuru: In an unusual heist, a gang of burglars in Mysuru made away with ornamental fish worth Rs 1.5 lakh from an aquarium here. The incident was reported on October 23 at Mermaid Aquatic Kingdom which is known for its walk-through aquarium. The private facility has lately been experiencing poor footfalls owing to the pandemic. The heist has now puzzled the police and Sameer Ahmed, who runs the venture, and the latter is knocking at the doors of pet shops across the city to find his lost fish. According to Ahmed, the aquarium was shut for the past several months. On October 23, however, when he came to the place, he was shocked to find the backdoor ajar, and soon realized that many of the fish had disappeared from their tanks. He revealed that many of his priced possessions were stolen. Police are investigating. ENS

# MP Prakash's son-in-law accuses traffic cop of bribery

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VIJAY Hiremath, son-in-law of fromer Deputy CM late MP Prakash, has filed a complaint that he was harassed by a traffic police constable, who allegedly demanded bribe. Hiremath alleged that he was driving his SUV on Race Course Road on Sunday, and after crossing a signal, he was stopped by the constable attached to High Grounds traffic police station, who asked him to pay fine for jumping the signal.

Hiremath, in his letter to the Joint Commissioner of Traffic Police and the Home Minister said that as the signal lights at the Hare Krishna junction were not working, he was not ready to pay fine. But the constable continued to argue and demanded a bribe. However, Hiremath refused to give any bribe. Hiremath also claimed that he has provided a video recording from the mobile phone as evidence.

An officer from the High Grounds traffic police station said, "Our constable has charged a fine and also showed the receipt. But Hiremath did not pay up and left."

# Welder electrocuted, painter hurt

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A 25-year-old welder was electrocuted to death while another was injured at a construction site in Valmikinagar of Andhrahalli in Byadarahalli police station limits on Monday morning. The deceased is Vishnu Kumar of Bihar, while Rajan (22), also from Bihar, sustained minor injuries.

Police said that they were working at an under-construction four-storey building. Kumar, a welder and painter, and Rajan were fixing railings for the staircase around 9 am when the railing they held came in contact with a live wire.

"Kumar was electrocuted and died on the spot while Rajan sustained minor injuries. He is admitted to Victoria Hospital and is said to be out of danger. We have booked the building owner for causing death by negligence and are investigating," the Byadarahalli police said.

RELIVING OLD TIMES

Pre-university students take a selfie after visiting NMKRV College in Jayanagar to collect their documents on Monday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

# 2 officials held by ACB for graft

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AN Executive Engineer -- Kishore, and an Accounts Superintendent -- Datthatreya, with the Minor Irrigation Department were arrested by the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) sleuths, while accepting a bribe of Rs. 1.50 lakh from a contractor.

An ACB official said that the PWD class-1 contractor had constructed a check dam at Toobagere in Doddaballapura taluk. The government had to release Rs 10 lakh towards the work, but the accused officers allegedly demanded Rs 3.5 lakh to release the funds.

"The contractor filed a complaint with the ACB and a trap was set on Monday and the accused were caught red-handed while accepting Rs 1.5 lakh, and were arrested," the official added.

# COPS SHOOT AT FOUR MURDER SUSPECTS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

ANEKAL police on Monday opened fire on four murder suspects, who were on the run after allegedly killing a youth on October 30. The assailants apparently sought fame from the crime. The injured are as Gopi (24), Ganga (23), Anantha (27) and Basavan (31), and are residents of Shettihalli in Bengaluru Rural. They had killed Vinuth, an unemployed youth in Shettihalli village.

A senior police officer revealed that the suspects were shot at and nabbed in separate incidents which took place at Avada Devanahalli and Muthanallur, respectively. Based on a tipoff that Gopi and Ganga were hiding in Avada Devanahalli, and Anantha and Basavan in Muthanallur, police teams headed by a DySP and two inspectors raided their hideouts and ordered them to surrender. But the suspects instead attacked police personnel, forcing the latter to open fire, before apprehending them. They were rushed to a government hospital, and later taken into police custody.

During interrogation, the accused confessed that they murdered Vinuth over a fight. They then moved to Tamil Nadu to escape from police.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

This is to bring to the notice of the general public that **Mr. Anil V. Shetty**, Son of Mr. Vaman S Shetty, Aged 55 Years, Permanently Residing at No.A 707, 7th Floor, Florina Estate, 3rd Block, Koramangala, Bangalore 560034, is the absolute owner of immovable property bearing Municipal No.742, Old Division No.66 and New Division No.68, having an extent of 219.21 Sq.Mtrs., situate at III Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru, acquired under a Gift Deed dated 21st day of December 2004, registered as document bearing No. 23872/2004-05, of Book-I, stored in CD No. BASD121, in the office of Sub-Registrar, Bangalore South, which property is more fully described in the Schedule given hereunder and hereinafter referred to as the schedule property.

It is stated that the following prior deeds pertaining the schedule property have been either been lost or misplaced irretrievably.

1. Lease cum Sale Agreement dated 28th day of July, 1973, allotted by City Improvement Trust Board, Bangalore to Sri B.R Shamachar.
2. Possession Certificate No.PR 139/73-74 dated 24.11.1973.
3. Sale Deed dated 30.07.1984, Registered as Document bearing No. 2763/1984-85, of Book I, Volume No. 2139 at pages 31-32, in the Office of the Sub Registrar, Bangalore south Taluk.
4. General Power Of Attorney dated 01.08.1984, Registered as Document bearing No. 92/1984-85, of Book IV, Volume No. 87 at pages 186-187, in the Office the Head Quarters Sub Registrar, Mysore.
5. Sale Deed dated 19.10.1984, Registered as Document bearing No. 4655/1984-85, of Book I, Volume No. 2225 at pages 30-35, in the Office the Sub Registrar, Bangalore south Taluk.
6. Sale Deed dated 09.06.1986, Registered as Document bearing No. 1072/1986-87, of Book I, Volume No 2440 at pages 60-69, in the Office the Sub Registrar, Bangalore south Taluk.
7. Documents issued by City Improvement Trust Board Bangalore, relating to the above property.

My client has lodged a police complaint on 29.10.2020 to Crime Branch, Bangalore City Police.

Any person having custody or possession of the above said documents may kindly hand over to the undersigned, or having any claim over the schedule property, may submit their claim, in writing, along with copies of documents relied upon to support such claim, to the undersigned ***within 07 days*** from the date of this notice, failing which it will be presumed and treated that there are no claims over the said property and the certified copies duly obtained shall be treated as original deeds henceforth.

Schedule Property

All that part and parcel of the immovable property bearing Municipal **No. 742, situate at Koramangala,** III Block, Old Division No.66, New No. 68, Bangalore, measuring **East to West 40 feet (12.19 Mtrs.) and North to South 59 feet (17.98 Mtrs.). in all measuring 219.21 Sq. Mtrs.** and bounded on the;

**East by** : Property bearing No. 743;
**West by** : Property bearing No. 741;
**North by** : Road;
**South by** : Property bearing No. 719.

*Sd/-*

**George Joseph Kundakassery,**
*B.A., L.L.B., P.G.D.L.P., M.F.T.* **Advocate,**
No.121/123, 2nd Main, C.L. Layout,
Hosur Main Road Bangalore -560 029.
Date: 02.11.2020 Bangalore

**PUBLIC NOTICE - REGARDING DOCUMENTS LOST**

This is to inform the General Public that my client **Sri RAGHUNATH** S/o Late G.B.Gopalachar, residing at No: 1, 1st Cross, "Hayagreeva Apartment", N.R.Colony, Bengaluru-560019, represents that he is the absolute owner in possession and enjoyment of the portion of Agricultural Lands bearing Sy.No: 64/1 measuring 1 acre 36 guntas and 5 guntas of karab situated at Kommaghatta Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore District. Further it is represented by my client that the **original Mother Deed/Sale deed No:BNG(U)-KNGR/231/2012-2013 dt:17-04-2012** pertaining to the above schedule property and also the **Original Khatha certificate dt: 03-11-2018** have been lost by my client and in spite of best efforts, my client could not trace out the same. Also, necessary police complaint has been lodged before the Basavanagudi Police station, Bengaluru. I hereby inform to all General public that whoever finds the above mentioned original documents may kindly inform/contact the undersigned at the earliest.

**Date: 02/11/2020**

**Sd/- K. R. SRINIVASAN, B.SC., M.L.,**
**Advocate**-High Court No: 571, 2nd Block,
II Main Road, Rajajinagar,
Bengaluru-560010.
Ph: .(R)-23424069, (M): 9945064788

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
**DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -1, BENGALURU**
No.4, Second Floor. LIC Jeevan Mangal Building, Residency Road, Bangalore - 560025

**DRC NO: 13950** FORM NO.14 (See Regulation 33(2))

**Canara Bank,** Kaggadasapura Branch, Near SCT Engineering College, Kaggadasapura, Bengaluru-560075

...**Certificate Holder**

**Versus**

**M/s J.M.J Power Backup Systems & Others** ...**Certified Debtors**

**DEMAND NOTICE**

**To, (1). M/s J.M.J Power Backup Systems** A proprietary Concern, Represented by its Proprietor: Sri D.Stephan Raj, S/o Sri K.Daniel, No.33, Old Race Cource Road (ORC Road), Austin Town, Bengaluru-560047 **(2).Sri D.Stephan Raj,** S/o Sri K.Daniel, Proprietor: M/s J.M.J Power Backup Systems, R/at: No.51, Ground Floor, Rajagopal Mudaliar Street, Austin Town, Bengaluru-560047 **(3).Smt.A Chiristena Jesman** W/o Sri D.Stephan Raj, R/at: No.51, Ground Floor, Rajagopal Mudaliar Street, Austin Town, Bengaluru-560047 **(4).Smt.Kanchana V.L.A** W/o Sri George Fernandez, Residing at: #28, Muniyappa Block, "Jesus Gift",7th Cross, Rose Garden, Neelasandra, Bengaluru-560047

In view of the Recovery Certificate issued in O.A **No.404/2016** passed by the Hon'ble Presiding Officer, DRT, Bengalore on **17.04.2018** an amount of **Rs.54,57,538/-** (Rupees Fifty Four Lakhs Fifty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Eight Only) is due against you along with interest and costs from date of filling of O.A's till realization

You are hereby called upon to deposit the amount within 15 days of the receipt of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made as per rules.

In addition to the sum aforesaid you will be liable to pay (a).Such Interest as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the execution proceedings. (b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and other process that may be taken for recovering the amount due.

Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on **30th Day of March 2019.**

**Sd/- ( DEEPAINDUVANI.S )**
**Recovery Officer- II**
**Debts Recovery Tribunal-I, Bengaluru,**

Note: Attention is invited to Rule 16 of the Second Schedule of the Income Tax Act 1961 read with Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act 1993 which is reproduced below:

Rule 16(1) where a notice has been served on a defaulter under Rule 2, the defaulter or his representative or his representative in interest shall not be competent to mortgage, charge, lease or otherwise deal with any property belonging to him except with the permission of the Debts Recovery Officer, nor shall any civil court issue any process against such property in execution of a decree for the payment of money.

(2) Where an attachment has been made under this schedule any private transfer or delivery of the property attached or of any interest therein and any payment to the defaulter of any debt, dividend or other monies contrary to such attachment, shall be void, as against all claims enforceable under the attachment.

**STATE BANK OF INDIA**
RACPC MALLESHWARAM(41161) No.97, Railway Parallel Road, Kumarapark West, Bangalore -560020
Ph: 080 25943732, 25943720. Fax: 080 25943729/3730 Email Id: racpc.bz1@sbi.co.in

**DEMAND NOTICE**

**NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANACIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002 (HEREINAFTER CALLED 'ACT')**

A Notice is hereby given that the below mentioned Borrowers have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loan facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loans have been classified as Non Performing Assets (NPA). The notices were issued to them under Section 13(2) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 on their last known addresses, but they have been returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of this public notice.

**1) Name and address of the Borrower: Sri. Adinarayana K** S/o Sri. K. Kondareddy, No.32/5, 7th Cross, Bellandur, Near Central Mall, Bangalore – 560103, **And also at:** No.23-64, Sai Nagar, Dharamavaram, Ananthapur District, Andra Pradesh – 515671.

**Account No: HTL-33168721868**

**Outstanding Loan Amount: Rs.21,66,619/-** (Rupees Twenty One Lakhs Sixty Six Thousand Six Hundred and Nineteen Only) as on **20.10.2020** and you are also liable to pay future interest from **21.10.2020** at contractual rate on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc.

**NPA Date: 31.01.2019** **Demand Notice Date: 21.10.2020**

**Description of the Immovable Properties: SCHEDULE PROPERTY:** All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing vacant Site bearing No.96, 4th Allotment, Old BBMP Katha No.814, Present BBMP Katha No.814/IV/96, in the layout formed by "Maruthi Housing Development Co-Operative Society", formed out of Converted Sy.No.10/1 of Venkatala Village and Sy.No.60/1,61/1, & 61/2A of Kogilu Village, Yelahanka Hobali, Bangalore North Taluk, {converted for non-agricultural residential purpose vide Conversion order bearing No.B.DIS.ALN.SR 4620/1970-71, Dated.08/05/1970, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Dist.,) Presently Known as Maruthi Nagar, Yelahanka, Bangalore North Taluk and presently under the Administrative Jurisdiction of BBMP, Ward No.1, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet, totally measuring about 1200 Sq.feet and with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface held in the Name of Sri. Adinarayana K S/o Sri. K. Kondareddy and bounded on: East by: Site No.69, West by: Site No. 95, North by: Road and South by: Site No.92

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above Borrower(s) and or their Guarantor(s) (whenever applicable) are hereby called upon to make payment of outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which further steps will be taken after expiry of 60 days from the date of this notice under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.You are also put on notice that in terms of sub-section 13 of Section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed in Schedule "C" Part II of this notice without obtaining written consent of the Bank.

**Date : 02.11.2020** **Sd/- Authorised Officer & Chief Manager**
**Place: Bangalore** **State Bank of India**

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**1) Name and address of the Borrower: 1) Sri. Ranobir Saha** S/o Sri. Malay Kumar Saha **2)Smt. Chung Chung Mukerjee** W/o Sri. Ranobir Saha Both are residing at: No.3, 4th Floor, 20th Cross, 16th Main, BTM 2nd Stage, MICO Layout, Opp. Kaveri Residency, Bangalore - 560076 **And also at:** Flat No.GF-1 (001), Ground Floor, 'KVR IRIS' Apartment, Sy.No.104/1, BBMP Katha No.263/212/104/1/104/4, Bilekahalli, Begur Hobli, Bangalore - 560076.

**1) Account No: HTL-33824555601** **2) Account No: HTL-36059036953**

**Outstanding Loan Amount: Rs.26,45,778/-** (Rupees Twenty Six Lakhs Forty Five Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Eight Only) as on **20.10.2020** and you are also liable to pay future interest from **21.10.2020** at contractual rate on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc.

**NPA Date: 19.10.2020** **Demand Notice Date: 20.10.2020**

**Description of the Immovable Properties: SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY** : All that piece and parcel of property bearing Northern Portion of composite BBMP Khatha No.269/263/212/104/1/104/4, Old Sy.No.104/1 and 104/4 of Bilekahalli, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now bearing New BBMP Khatha No.269/263/212/104/1/104/4/1, Bilekahalli, Banglore, presently comes with the limits of BBMP Ward No.188, measuring East to West: (145'.1"+119'.7")/2 feet, i.e., on Norther side 141'.1" feet, on Southern side 119'.7" feet and North to South : (75'.7"+106'.4")/2 feet, i.e., on Eastern side 75'.7" feet, on Western side 106'.4" feet, approximately totally measuring 11880 Square feet, and bounded on the: East by: Passage/Road measuring East to West 25 feet and North to South 75 feet and after land belongs to Srinivasa Reddy, West by: Rajanna Layout, North by: Bannerghatta – Devarachikahalli Road and South by: Land retained by Land Owner.

**SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY: (Undivided share of land conveyed under this Sale Deed)** 364 Square feet of undivided share, right, title and interest of land in "Scheduled A" Property.

**SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY: (Super Built Up Area conveyed under this Sale Deed):** All that piece and parcel of 3 Bed Room Residential Apartment/Flat bearing Flat No.GF-1(001) in Ground Floor of Apartment building complex known as "KVR IRIS" having 1350 Square Feet of Super Built Up Area constructed with RCC roofing, Vitrified flooring, Main Door and Pooja Door Teak Wood and all other doors shall be Matti or Honne frames with commercial flush doors and two track aluminum powder coasted windows with safety grills with all civic amenities like Electricity, Water and Sanitary connections along with One Covered Car Parking slot in the Basement Floor, without the right to use terrace together with proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lift, staircases and other areas of common use, including the floors, ceiling and walls between apartments jointly belonging to such other Apartment Owner's equally and other areas of common use in Schedule A Property and the Flat bounded on the: East by: Passage/Road measuring East to West 25 feet, North to South 75 feet and after land belong to Srinivas Reddy, West by: Flat No.006, North by: Road and South by: Flat No.002.

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**Date : 02.11.2020** **Sd/- Authorised Officer & Chief Manager**
**Place: Bangalore** **State Bank of India**

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Registered Office : 27 BKC, C 27, G Block, Bandra Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai - 400 051. Corporate Identity No.L65110MH1985PLC038137, Branch Office,at Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd., Kotak House, 22, M.G.Road, Bangalore - 560 001

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The public at large is hereby notified that the below Scheduled Property is under mortgage with Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited, The Bank (Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited) has first and exclusive charge on the Mortgaged Property more particularly described in Schedule of the Mortgaged Properties below, and the Bank has been contemplating appropriate action under law. It has been reliably learnt that **(1) Preveen G Varghese,** S/o Raju Muriyamadam Varghese **(2).Mrs.Rohini Varghese** W/o Raju Varghese, **(3) Mr.Francies Varghese (4) Mrs. Annu Vajdyan Varghese (5). M/s Venus Palazzo,** all resident of No.22, 4th "A" Cross, 3rd Block, HRBR Layout, Kammanahalli, Bangalore- 560 043, are trying to create 3rd party interest by creating documents for the scheduled property.

That public at large is hereby cautioned not to deal with the above property and any dealings with the above property will be subject to the charge of Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited. If any person deals with the above property, it shall be at his/ her sole risk.

**SCHEDULE OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTIES**

**SCHEDULE "A"PROPERTY**

(1). All the piece and parcel of site bearing No.2C-701 measuring East to West 11 Meters and North to South 18.30 Meters in all measuring 201.3 Square Meters situated at 3rd "C" Cross Road, First Block, HRBR Layout, Ward No.88 of Banaswadi, Bangalore in the records of BBMP and bounded on the: East by : Site No. 3C-703, West by : 7th Main Road, North by :Property bearing Site No. 3AC-702 South by : 3rd Cross Road

(2). All the piece and parcel of site bearing No.3C-702 measuring East to West 6.50+10.50/2 Meters and North to South 18.30 Meters in all measuring 155.55 Square Meters situated at 3rd "C" Cross Road, First Block, HRBR Layout, Ward No.88 of Banaswadi, Bangalore in the records of BBMP and bounded on the: East by : Site No. 3AC-704, West by : 7th Main Road, North by : 3rd "A" Cross Road, South by : Site No. 3C-701

(3). All the piece and parcel of site bearing No.3C-701 measuring East to West 5.34 + 1.68/2 Meters and North to South 18.30 Meters in all measuring 64.23 Square Meters situated at 3rd "C" Cross Road, First Block, HRBR Layout, Ward No.88 of Banaswadi, Bangalore in the records of BBMP and bounded on the: East by : Site No. 3C-703, West by : 7th Main Road, North by : Site No. 3AC-702 and 3AC-704, South by : 3rd "A" Cross Road.

**SCHEDULE "B"PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of immovable Commercial Space entire at First and Third Floor, measuring Super built of Area of 2825 Square Feet each along with Undivided share of 759 Sq Ft each or 2/4 share in Schedule-A Property situated at 3rd "C" Cross Road, First Block, HRBR Layout, Ward No.88 of Banaswadi Bangalore.

Place : Bangalore
Date: 03-11-2020

For Authorized Officer
Sd/- Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd.,

## ANEKAL TALUK PANCHAYATH

**Bangalore Urban District**
**Bangalore-562106**

**No. ATP/15th FINANCE/2020-21** **Date: 29.10.2020**

### TENDER NOTIFICATION

Executive Officer, Taluk Panchayath, Anekal invites detailed tender of **CONSTRUCTION OF WATER TANK IN HARAGADDE GRAMA, ANEKAL TALUK**. The Tender documents may be downloaded from Government of Karnataka e-Procurement Website: **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in/eportal/index.seam** under login for Agencies. For further details Contact Office Address: Name of the work: **CONSTRUCTION OF WATER TANK IN HARAGADDE GRAMA, ANEKAL TALUK**. Qty in Nos.: **1**. EMD: **Rs. 30,000/-. Calendar of Events:** (1) Tender Documents can be downloaded from **02.11.2020 to 17.11.2020 upto 4:00pm**. (2) Last Date and Time for uploading (submission) of Tenders (Through e-Procurement): **17.11.2020 upto 4:00pm.** (3) Opening of Technical Bid: **18.11.2020 at 4:00pm**.

**(Sd/-) Executive Officer**
**Office of the Executive Office, Anekal Taluk**
**Bangalore Urban District**

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## HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT

**Engineering Wing**

Office of the Engineer-in-Chief, Arogya Soudha, 3rd floor
Leprosy Hospital Premises,1st Cross, Magadi Road Bengaluru-560 023,
Tel.: 080-29557039 E-mail:cekhsdrp@gmail.com & cekhsdrp-hfws@karnataka.gov.in

**No:HFWD/EW/CE/TA-3/AE-4/Corrigendum/2020-21/1681** **Date: 02.11.2020**

### CORRIGENDUM

The Tender was invited from eligible Class-1 Contractors registered in KPWD in two tender document system vide this office Notification No:H&FWD/EW/EIC/TA-1/AE-2/SIMS-TND/2020-21/1250, Dtd:14.09.2020 & corrigendum No: HFWD/EW/CE/TA-3/AE-4/Corrigendum-/2020-21/1568, Dtd: 14.10.2020 is postponed due to Technical Problem. Hence, the Tender cannot be published in e-portal. Now the calendar of events is revised as under:-

**Calendar of Events**: **1)** Last date for receipt of tenders : **18.11.2020 upto 16.00 hrs. 2)** Date of Opening of Tenders (Technical Bids) : **20.11.2020 at 16.00 hrs.** The tender details can be downloaded from the e-Procurement platform. Tenders shall be submitted electronically at **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** and Earnest Money Deposit and Tender Processing Fee shall also be paid electronically. Interested eligible contractors shall register on the e-procurement platform to participate in this tender.

**NOTE**: Hence forth, any changes in the schedule/contents will not be published through news papers and further changes will be updated only on e-procurement portal.

**Sd/-**
**Engineer-in-Chief,**
**H&FWD, Engineering Wing, Bengaluru.**

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## RAJASTHAN RAJYA VIDYUT UTPADAN NIGAM LIMITED

CIN- U40102RJ2000SGC016484 (A Govt. of Rajasthan Undertaking)

CHHABRA THERMAL POWER STATION, CHHABRA

**E-TENDER NOTICE No. 3120(RVU2021GL0B01148)**

Online e-tenders are invited for Supply of complete cartridge assembly of BFP Model No. FK6D30. Tender details are available on websites http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in (for e-tender), www.energy.rajasthan.gov.in/rvunl & www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in.

Raj.samwad/C/20/6263 RVUN/PR-3443 **Addl. Chief Engineer (O&M)**

## Jharkhand Urja Sancharan Nigam Ltd.

**(CIN: U40108JH2013SGC001704)**
**Regd. Office: 2nd Floor, JUSNL (SLDC) Building Kusai Colony, Doranda, Ranchi - 834002**
**Fax No.:0651-2400123 (E-mail:cetjusnl@gmail.com,**

### 1st EXTENSION NOTICE

**Notice No. 93/ PR / JUSNL/ 2020–21**

Time extension against notice no. **93/PR/JUSNL/2020-21** for empanelment of vendor for supply of materials through EPC contractor for turnkey projects is hereby extended in following manner : -

| Details | Important dates |
|---|---|
| Closing date of receipt of application (Online) | 16.11.2020 up to 04:00 PM |
| Last date of submission of hard copy of application and application fee in the office of GM, C&M (Non WB Proj) | Up to 19.11.2020 at 04:30 PM |

This extension notice is also available on the website www.jharkhandtenders.gov.in

स्वहित एवं राष्ट्रहित में ऊर्जा बचायें। कृपया अपनी शिकायतों को 18003456570(कॉल सेन्टर) पर दर्ज करायें।

**Sd/-**
**General Manager, C&M (NWBP)**
**JUSNL, Ranchi**

**PR No. 233660**

**PR.NO.235163 Jharkhand Urja Sancharan Nigam Ltd(20-21):D**

## GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

**Office of the Deputy Commissioner, DC Office Complex, Koppal-583231**

**LandlineNo.:08539-220844E-Mail: deo.Koppal@gmail.com**

No.: SG/DMG/KPL/Koppal/2020-21/3189 Date: 29.10.2020

### Short term Tender Publication Corrigendum

Published in newspapers on 18.10.2020 in Samyuktha Karnataka, Udayavani (Kannada) and Indian Express (English), corrigendum read it as, in Serial Number 03 Two year period instead of one year, in Serial Number 06 One year period instead of two year and in Serial number 7 and 8 Quotations instead of E-Procurement platform. Continue to

The Following is the calendar of events for the Pre-qualification tender process of GPS vehicle tracking system. 1. Date of downloading application form for pre-qualification tender, bid document and other details.: **09.11.2020.** 2. Pre-qualification meeting date and place.: **13.11.2020Senior Geologist, Dept of Mines and Geology, DC office complex, Koppal.** 3. Last date for receiving pre-qualification tender through E-procurement.: **17.11.2020.** 4. Date of opening pre-qualification tender.: **19.11.2020**

**Sd/- Chairman & Deputy Commissioner**
**Dist Sand Monitoring Committee Koppal**

**DIPR/Koppal/175/MCA/2020-21**

## PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that our client intends to purchase the property described in the schedule from its owners namely, (1) Geeta Joshi, wife of Sanjeev Joshi, and (2) Sanjeev Joshi, son of S.G. Joshi. Any person/s having any claim, charge, interest, or any objection in respect thereof may approach the undersigned along with documentary proof within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which, our client will proceed to complete the proposed sale transaction on the basis that there is / are no claim, charge, interest, or any objection whatsoever in nature with regard to the property described in the schedule.

**SCHEDULE**

All that piece and parcel of Residential Villa **No. 17**, in **"ACRON"** Type, consisting of Ground and First Floor measuring 3500 square feet of built-up area, constructed on **Plot No. 17**, carved out in Survey No. 150/4, situated at Hagadur Village, Hagadur Village Panchayath, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West 80 Feet, North to South 60 Feet, with a total sital area of 4800 square feet, comprised in the Group Housing Project known as "Prestige Ozone" formed by M/s Prestige Estates Projects Private Limited, and bounded by:

**East by:** Internal Layout Road in "Prestige Ozone"; **West by:** Villa No. 16 in "BEECH" Type of "Prestige Ozone"; **North by:** Internal Layout Road in "Prestige Ozone"; **South by:** Villa No. 18 in "ACRON" Type of "Prestige Ozone".

**Karthik B.M,**
**Advocate, IndusLaw,**
No. 101, 2 nd Floor, Embassy Classic,
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Bangalore-56001
Contact No. 9840933240

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## STATE BANK OF INDIA

**SME Branch, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bengaluru**

**Authorised Officer's Details:**
**Name: Sri. Nair Manoj KLB**
**e -mail Id:sbi.06506@sbi.co.in**
**Mobile No: 9408685881**
**Land Line No. (Office):**
**080-28399239/ 23723120**

**Address of the Branch:**
**#45/B, 2nd Stage, 2nd Phase,**
**Peenya Industrial Area,**
**Bengaluru – 560058.**
**Tel:080-28399239/ 23723120**
**E-mail Id:sbi.06506@sbi.co.in**

**APPENDIX- IV-A**
[See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
**SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**

**E-Auction Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Asset under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.**

Notice is hereby given to the Public in general and the Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagers in particular that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank,will be sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS" and "AS IS WHAT IS"and "WHATEVER THERE IS"** basis on **26.11.2020** for recovery of **Rs.4,07,93,018/-** (Rupees FourCrore Seven Lakh Ninety Three Thousand Eighteen Only) as on 07.10.2020 and interest from 08.10.2020 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. due to the State Bank of India, SME Branch, Peenya 2nd Stage, Peenya, Bengaluru from Borrower **M/s Balaji Garments Private Limited,** Plot No.13 & 14, 2nd B Main Road, 2nd Stage, Peenya, Bengaluru – 560058. Also at:No.6, BHRV Complex, 5th Floor, 1st Cross, A-5 Charstreet, Bengaluru – 560053 and the Guarantors: (1) **Sri. Atish Chaturvedi** S/o Sri.Girish Chandra Chaturvedi ,#331, Sobha Amber,Jakkur Plantation, Yelahanka Hobli,Bangalore–560064 **(2) Sri.Abhishek Chaturvedi** S/o Sri.Girish Chandra Chaturvedi ,#121/30, 4th Main Road,Ganganagar, R.T.Nagar,Bangalore – 560032 and **(3) Sri.Avinash Chaturvedi** S/o Sri.Girish Chandra Chaturvedi, Flat No.203, Comfort Enclave,#16, Ganganagar, Bengaluru –560032.

**The Reserve Price, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) , Last date and time for submission of bid with EMD & KYC Documents and Bid increment amount will be as under:**
**Tender No: SBI/SMEBP/EA/01**

| Reserve Price (Rs) | Earnest Money Deposit (Rs) | Date and Time for submission of bid With EMD & KYC Documents | Bid Increment Amount (Rs. in Lakh) |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7.75 Crores | 77.50 Lakhs | on or before 24.11.2020, 5.00 PM | 5.00 Lakhs |

**DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**

**Tender No:SBI/SMEBP/EA/01**

All that piece of Land known as Plot No.V-13 & 14, 2nd B Main Road, Industrial Estate, Peenya 2nd Stage of Peenya Industrial Area within the limits of Nelakadaranahalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore District measuring an area of 1735.92 Sq.mtrs or 18685 Sqft. with factory shed thereon standing in the name of M/s Balaji Garments Pvt Ltd and bounded on: East by: Shed No.B-70(A) & B-69(a), West by: Plot No.V-16, North by: Service Road, 2nd B Main Road and Plot No.V-43, South by: Storm Water Drain & Plot V-15.

The sale shall be subject to provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules,2002.
For further details regarding inspection of the property the intending bidder may contact the Authorised Officer, State Bank of India, SME Branch, Peenya 2nd Stage , Bengaluru-560058 during office hours, Phone No. 080-28399239/ 23723120 or Bank's approved Resolution Agent, Sri Devi Resolutions Pvt Ltd, Bangalore Representative: Sri.Chayapathy, Cell No.9901902500.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the links provided by Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, SME Branch, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bengaluru i.e. www.sbi.co.in & www.tenders.gov.in & https://sbi.auctiontiger.net

**Place: Bengaluru**
**Date: 28.10.2020**

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
SBI, SME Branch, Peenya 2nd Stage Bengaluru

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## GOLD AUCTION NOTICE

CIN-L65910KL1992PLC006623
IV/470A (old) W638A(New), Manappuram House, Valapad, Thrissur, Kerala - 680 567.

The borrowers, in specific and the public, in general, are hereby notified that public auction of the gold ornaments pledged in the below accounts is proposed to be conducted at the following branches on 18/11/2020 from 10.00 am onwards. The auction is of the gold ornaments of defaulted customers who have failed to make payment of their loan amount despite being notified by registered letters. Unauctioned items shall be auctioned on any other days without any further notice. Reserve price is fixed on the basis of market price of the gold on the date of auction or the 85% of the average 30 days IBJA rate whichever is higher. Change in venue or date (if any) will be displayed at the auction centre and on the company website . The details given below are in the order of Branch Name, Loan Number, Customer Name, Total Due Amount (in `) & Item Name

List of pledges:-

BANGALORE, SRINAGAR BANGALORE, 108360730013293, RAMA, 193813, CHAIN 2, 3294, RAMA, 74868, NECKLACE 1, 3381, MOHAN P GAONKAR, 137362, NECKLACE 1, 3382, MOHAN P GAONKAR, 323448, BROAD BANGLES 8, 123130700030471, GIRISHA B P, 30415, CHAIN 1, 1680, KARTHIKEYAN S, 7433, STUD 2, 1963, GIRISH K, 17000, FINGER RINGS 1, 2177, DEVI PRASAD, 106106, CHAIN 3,FINGER RINGS 1, 2180, NARESH MUDALIAR, 95991, NECKLACE 1, 2181, NARESH MUDALIAR, 22012, FINGER RINGS 1,STUD 2, 2197, SHIVANNA, 23210, FINGER RINGS 2,STUD 1, 2221, KIRAN VENKATESH, 11000, FINGER RINGS 1, 2224, SURESH V K, 24800, DROPS 2,LOCKET 1, 2225, KIRAN VENKATESH, 44700, CHAIN 1, 2235, UMESH K, 14700, FINGER RINGS 1, 2278, KUMAR A T, 21000, FINGER RINGS 1, 2282, MANGALA G, 158158, CHAIN 1, 2284, M S NAGENDRA, 10000, STUD 2, 2285, VIJAYA, 140140, CHAIN 2, 2288, NAVEEN KUMAR, 12300, FINGER RINGS 1, 2350, DINESHKUMAR HV, 8000, DROPS & STUD 3, 2367, RAJESHWARI ARYA H S, 16300, DROPS 2,FINGER RINGS 2, 2368, RAJESHWARI ARYA, 19000, CHAIN 1, 2370, RAJESHWARI ARYA, 56000, CHAIN 1,NECKLACE 1,STUD 2, 2393, SHARATH J, 7300, STUD 2, 2401, MAMATHABAI G, 114614, CHAIN 1, 2407, RAJU, 75000, DROPS & STUD 2, 2419, SHARATH J, 14400, CHAIN 1,FINGER RINGS 1, 2438, VIMALA, 194194, FINGER RINGS 3,NECKLACE 1,STUD 5, 2461, CHAITHRA H S, 22500, FINGER RINGS 1,STUD 2, 2463, KUMAR R, 27442, CHAIN 1,FINGER RINGS 1, 123130730016487, HARISH M N, 95014, CHAIN 1,FINGER RINGS 3,NECKLACE 1, 6526, VENKATESHA D M, 13045, CHAIN 1, 6615, VIJAYA, 76868, BANGLE 2, 6616, VIJAYA, 32341, BANGLE 1, 6617, VIJAYA, 114278, BANGLE 3,STUD 4, 6621, R SIVAPRAKASAM, 19995, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 4, 6711, SATHVIK TEJAS S, 10030, LOCKET 1,STUD 2, 6738, CHETHAN KUMAR, 21702, DROPS & STUD 6, 6739, HARISH H C, 46000, CHAIN 1,FINGER RINGS 1, 6844, THARAKA PRABHU K, 13462, CHAIN 1, 6867, MANJUNATH C PRABHU, 21148, FINGER RINGS 1, 6910, HANUMANTHU D, 60015, CHAIN 1, 6911, HANUMANTHU D, 71271, BROAD BANGLES 2, 6942, SUNIL N M, 24291, CHAIN 1, 6947, SURENDRA J, 32535, CHAIN 1, 6969, MANJU M S, 22568, BANGLE 1, 6988, DAYANAND B V, 344152, BANGLE 2,NECKLACE 2, 7039, MANJUNATHA R V, 48384, BROAD BANGLES 1,FINGER RINGS 2, 7042, CHETHAN, 300151, NECKLACE 1, 7079, ANANADA S, 11234, FINGER RINGS 1, 7080, SUMITHRA B, 9002, DROPS & STUD 2, 7111, VARALAKSHMI R, 58060, BRACELET 1,FINGER RINGS 1, 7112, VARALAKSHMI R, 43615, CHAIN 1, 7113, VARALAKSHMI R, 40224, FINGER RINGS 4,STUD 2, 104390700731305, TOUSIF UR RAHMAN KHAN, 54000, CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 2, 1315, NASRUTHULLA KHAN, 38666, DROPS & STUD 2, 1316, MOHAMMED OWAIS PASHA, 21770, FINGER RINGS 1, 1320, ASMA, 20754, DROPS & STUD 2,MATTI 2, 1321, SHAIK WASIM, 3000, LOCKET 1, 1341, NAJEEB UR RAHMAN KHAN, 11000, DROPS & STUD 2, 1342, NAJEEB UR RAHMAN KHAN, 45000, DROPS & STUD 8, 1343, NAJEEB UR RAHMAN KHAN, 15400, CHAIN 1,FINGER RINGS 1, 1344, NAJEEB UR RAHMAN KHAN, 25500, DROPS & STUD 2, 1350, NAJEEB UR RAHMAN KHAN, 74000, BRACELET 1,CHAIN 1,EAR RINGS 2, 1361, SYED AMMEN PASHA, 28219, BANGLE 1, 1362, SYED AMMEN PASHA, 27638, BANGLE 1, 1372, SANDIPA, 13500, FINGER RINGS 1, 1374, TOUSIF UR RAHMAN KHAN, 6500, EAR RINGS 2, 1391, MAHAMMED JAMIL, 41000, DROPS & STUD 2,NECKLACE 1, 1396, ZAMEER S K, 49999, BRACELET 1, 1411, MOHAMMED OWAIS PASHA, 9560, FINGER RINGS 1, 1416, SURESH, 41000, CHAIN 1, 1419, RANI, 190764, CHAIN 2,NECKLACE 1,STUD 5, 1427, JAYAMANOHARV V, 210542, BROAD BANGLES 2,CHAIN 2, 1436, CATHERINE JERRY, 46000, FINGER RINGS 1,STUD 4, 1437, CATHERINE JERRY, 23302, CHAIN 1, 1445, SARASWATHI, 11793, STUD 2, 1446, SARASWATHI, 14358, FINGER RINGS 1, 1459, AMBARISH, 22500, CHAIN 1, 1464, SANTHOSH, 20206, MATTI 2, 1466, SRINIVASA, 17578, DROPS & STUD 4, 1475, AMBARISH, 15000, DROPS & STUD 2, 1477, AMBARISH, 14000, FINGER RINGS 1,STUD 2, 1492, JYOTHI, 134781, CHAIN 2,DROPS & STUD 3,NECKLACE 1, 1493, JYOTHI, 44240, CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 6,FINGER RINGS 1, 1504, GAFFAR SHARIF, 65649, BROAD BANGLES 2, 1519, SDNDIP KUMAR, 12000, FINGER RINGS 1, 104390730011058, HARISH KUMAR VM, 59876, BRACELET 1, 3883, NALAKATH ZEESHAN, 17467, CHAIN 1, 3887, K KIRAN KUMAR, 3747, FINGER RINGS 1, 3891, TOUSIF UR RAHMAN KHAN, 92000, DROPS & STUD 2,NECKLACE 1, 4054, TOUSIF UR RAHMAN KHAN, 230152, BROAD BANGLES 1,NECKLACE 1, 4305, H ABDUL ALEEM, 12040, STUD 2, 4306, IMRAN A, 196767, NECKLACE 1, 4324, A R SARAVANA PRASAD, 489415, BROAD BANGLES 2,NECKLACE 1, 4327, A R SARAVANA PRASAD, 327198, BROAD BANGLES 7,NECKLACE 2, 4328, A R SARAVANA PRASAD, 241966, BROAD BANGLES 2,DROPS & STUD 4, 4329, A R SARAVANA PRASAD, 296209, CHAIN 2, 4333, ANITAA SINGH, 25555, CHAIN 1, 4398, YUSUF SATE B, 41140, CHAIN 1, 4441, MOHAMMED MUDASSIR, 13324, STUD 2, 4483, SANTHOSH, 11588, FINGER RINGS 2, 4526, FAIZAN ULLA SHARIFF, 12151, DROPS & STUD 2, 4527, FAIZAN ULLA SHARIFF, 64400, BROAD BANGLES 1, 4528, FAIZAN ULLA SHARIFF, 57340, DROPS & STUD 2,LOCKET 1, 4529, FAIZAN ULLA SHARIFF, 10933, FINGER RINGS 1, 4530, FAIZAN ULLA SHARIFF, 14345, FINGER RINGS 2, 4650, PADMANABAN, 7148, DROPS & STUD 2, 4709, SYED KHALEEL AHMED, 117225, CHAIN 4,STUD 1, 4710, SYED KHALEEL AHMED, 104623, BANGLE 2,BRACELET 1,DROPS & STUD 4,FINGER RINGS 1, 4729, SIBGAL SHARIF, 10668, EAR RINGS 2, 4733, NASRIN, 11011, LOCKET 1, MANDYA, 129270700016868, UMA, 9000, STUD 2, 7148, N SUBBANNA, 16633, DROPS 2, 7177, MANASA S, 114114, NECKLACE 1, 7200, SUMA, 6000, FINGER RINGS 1, 7203, ROOPASHREE, 40000, CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 2, 7213, C S SRINIVASA, 145145, CHAIN 1, 7220, SHIVAKUMAR R, 82000, DROPS & STUD 4,STUD 2, 7222, ANIL KUMAR MR, 125625, BRACELET 1,CHAIN 2, 7228, SATHISH P, 16900, STUD 4, 7232, SYED AMEER PASHA, 6700, FINGER RINGS 1, 7234, MAHESHA H B, 41250, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 2, 7241, RAJESH K S, 19000, STUD 2, 7258, RAMU MD, 21500, FINGER RINGS 1, 7265, SHRIDHAR T S, 9400, FINGER RINGS 1, 7295, RAJU R V, 135135, NECKLACE 2, 7297, VARALAKSHMI M, 60000, CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 2, 7307, C S DEVARAJU, 5960, DROPS 2, 7318, USHA M K, 18000, STUD 1, 7325, K C NIRANJAN KUMAR, 163970, NECKLACE 1, 7326, NAGARAJU T D, 36164, CHAIN 1, 7342, 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Nearly 80,000 accounts under Karnataka's popular Bhagyalakshmi scheme for girl children is to be handed over to India Post. An additional 1.5 lakh accounts will be transferred by the women and child welfare department to the state postal department annually

# Finance ministry ready to reimburse over ₹2K cr to AP

MoF says keeping request made by state govt in mind, it has no objection in releasing ₹2,234.29 cr for Polavaram project without conditions

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IN a relief to the State government, which has found itself in a tight corner over reimbursement of the funds spent on the Polavaram Irrigation Project, the Ministry of Finance (MoF) has agreed to reimburse ₹2,234.29 crore to AP through the Polavaram Project Authority (PPA) without insisting on the condition that the cost of the project would be considered at the 2013-14 price level as resolved in the Union Cabinet meeting on March 15, 2017.

According to sources, in a communication to the Department of Water Resources, the MoF had stated that in view of the request made by the State government and the larger interests in expediting capital expenditure, it has no objection for the release of the amount (₹2,234.29 crore) for the Polavaram project without any conditionalities. However, the exception is only for this time and for any further release of reimbursements, a written confirmation of the PPA on the conditions set forth by the MoF in its earlier communication is a must.

Now that the Ministry of Finance has given the clearance, sources say NABARD will raise funds and forward them to Polavaram Project Authority

Responding to the proposal from the State government to raise Extra Budgetary Resources (EBR) of ₹2,234.29 crore for reimbursement of the Polavaram project cost under the Long Term Irrigation Fund (LTIF) from NABARD, the MoF, in a communication to the Water Resources Department on October 12, had set forth a condition -- funding would only be provided to the irrigation component and that too at the price level of 2013-14 as resolved in the Union Cabinet meeting on March 15, 2017.

Special Chief Secretary (Irrigation) Adityanath Das held discussions with the officials in the Ministry of Jal Shakti in New Delhi in this regard, which in turn forwarded the request to the MoF, seeking the release of the pending reimbursements unconditionally as it may delay the Polavaram project works.

EXPRESS READ

## RTC bus services to resume between AP, TS

Vijayawada: Finally, after a gap of more than 220 days, bus services between the two Telugu states resumed with the Road Transport Corporations of AP and Telangana State reaching an inter-state agreement. Following the new agreement reached on Monday, the APSRTC, which used to operate 1,009 buses covering 2.61 lakh km per day in Telangana earlier, now has to reduce its services to 638. On the other side, the TSRTC which used to operate 750 buses covering 1.03 lakh km now will run 820 buses. Bus services resumed on Monday evening after an MoU on kilometre to be covered by each Corporation in other State has been exchanged between the two states. **ENS**

## App to assist cops in nabbing Covid offenders

Madurai: The Madurai city police department is set to launch a mobile application to assist policemen identify people who are defying COVID measures, including wearing masks and following social distancing. About the application, a police officer said it would also give data on the percentage of people wearing masks properly/wrongly. This decision comes in the wake of public not following the norms at bazaar streets. According to officials, with Deepavali just around the corner, the bazaars would see a huge turnout as people from neighbouring districts would also enter the city for shopping/sale. **ENS**

NIA MAKES ARREST

# Founder of group with IS-like ideology arrested in Kerala

TOBY ANTONY @Kochi

THE National Investigation Agency (NIA) has arrested one of the founder-members of Ansar-ul-Khilafah Kerala, a group that subscribes to the ideology of the Islamic State (IS), in connection with the terror strikes the outfit had planned in Kerala and Tamil Nadu. The accused Sidhik Hul Aslam, 31, of Kanayakulangara in Thiruvananthapuram is the eighth accused in the case.

Sidhik was deported from Saudi Arabia after Interpol issued a Red Corner Notice against him. The arrest was recorded on his arrival at the New Delhi airport on October 28. He was brought to Kochi on Sunday and produced before the Judicial First Class Magistrate Court and remanded in Kakkanad district jail.

The court granted NIA seven-day custody of Sidhik. He was examined via videoconferencing.

As per the chargesheet filed by NIA, Sidhik, along with Manseed, Shajeer Mangalassery, Swalih Muhammad, Rashid Ali, Ramshad, Mohammad Fayas, Safvan, Jassim N K, Moinudheen and Mujeeb Rahman, formed the Ansar-ul-Khilafah Kerala during August-September 2016. While Shajeer was killed in Afghanistan, six of the accused were convicted by the NIA court in November 2019.

"Sidhik worked as a labourer in Saudi Arabia. He was part of the Telegram groups started to further activities of Ansar-ul-Khilafah Kerala. He was traced with the help of Interpol. His arrest will provide more details about the group, especially the members abroad, who are yet to be identified," said a NIA source.

Meanwhile, the NIA court on Monday granted custody of Mohammad Polakanni, who was deported from Georgia last month.

He was produced before the court in Kochi and sent to NIA custody for seven days.

Though NIA had alleged that the outfit was a part of the IS module, the court in its verdict in 2019 claimed that they were guilty of the crime but not members of IS.

It is alleged that the group had targeted politicians, police officers, judges in Kerala and Israeli tourists in Kodaikanal. The group was busted while holding a meeting at Kanakamala in Kannur in October 2016.

# Pinarayi slams central agencies probing gold smuggling case

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CHIEF Minister Pinarayi Vijayan, who has been justifying the probe by various central agencies into the gold smuggling and related cases all these days, lashed out at them on Monday saying they were encroaching into the state government's executive powers.

Under pressure after probe agencies zeroed in on his office, CM Pinarayi said they were acting like political opponents, according to a script written with vested motives.

"The state government's constitutional powers and the right to take policy decisions won't be surrendered before anyone," said a visibly enraged Pinarayi. "If the investigation agencies start probing all programmes and policies of the state governments, that would only weaken the democratic system," said Pinarayi, in an apparent reference to the move to probe the K-Fone project.

The CM said it should be suspected whether the investigation agencies are being used to pull up the state government. "Efforts are on to inspect the K-Fone project. It's a move clearly aimed at subverting this initiative," he said.

Pinarayi said the Centre and the state governments share equal responsibility to implement the directive principles.

# A-G declines consent for contempt proceedings against Andhra CM

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ATTORNEY General K K Venugopal on Monday refused to grant consent to initiate contempt proceedings against Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Jagan Mohan Reddy for casting aspersions on judiciary.

The A-G, however, termed the Andhra CM's letter to Chief Justice of India S A Bobde levelling serious allegations against senior Supreme Court judge N V Ramana and releasing the content of the letter to media "prima facie contumacious".

In his letter to the CJI, Jagan had also claimed Justice Ramana was acting on behalf of Andhra Pradesh opposition leader Chandrababu Naidu.

Elaborating why he would not initiate contempt of court proceedings, Venugopal said, "Since the letter was addressed directly to the Chief Justice of India, the CJI is seized of the case and it would not be appropriate for me to deal with it." The AG's opinion came on a permission plea filed by advocate Ashwini Kumar Upadhyay who had sought permission to begin contempt of court proceedings against the Andhra Pradesh chief minister over his October 6 letter alleging Ramana was influencing the Andhra Pradesh High Court.

Upadhyay is one of petitioners whose plea led a bench headed by Justice Ramana to direct high courts to expedite cases against sitting and former MPs and MLAs. He had written to the Attorney General pointing out that 31 criminal cases were pending against Jagan.

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K K Venugopal, Attorney General

TRAGIC END

Charred remains of the vehicles that met with an accident and went up in flames on the Kadapa - Anantapur Road on Monday. Five people, said to be red sanders smugglers, were burnt to death. Police suspect that the smugglers were chasing a rival gang to loot 30 logs that the other gang was carrying | EXPRESS

# 31 chosen for Ekalavya awards

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EKALAVYA, Lifetime Achievement, Karnataka Kreeda Ratna, Kreeda Poshaka and NSS awards were presented at the event organized by the Department of Sports and Youth Empowerment.

Indian cricketers K L Rahul and Mayank Agarwal who were selected for the award could not attend the event as they were playing at the Indian Premier League (IPL) tournament in the UAE.

As many as 31 sportspersons were chosen for the Ekalavya awards for three years. Karnataka Sports Minister C T Ravi said the awards were not given for the last three years for various reasons.

# Court extends Bineesh's ED custody

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BINEESH Kodiyeri, who has been arrested on charges of funding a drug cartel, has been remanded in Directorate of Enforcement (ED) custody for five more days, till Saturday, by the Special Court for ED cases.

Bineesh, son of CPI(M)'s Kerala state secretary Kodiyeri Balakrishnan, was arrested by the ED under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002, last Thursday. As his custody ended on Monday, the ED officials produced him before the court in the evening. The court had earlier remanded him in ED custody for four days.

The ED submitted to the court that the accused was not cooperating with the investigation and dodged inquiry citing health problems, due to which they could not question him for two-and-a-half days. The central agency also informed the court that Bineesh was a habitual offender and had 10 cases against him in Kerala and one more in Dubai.

A file picture of Bineesh Kodiyeri at the ED zonal office in Bengaluru

It brought to the notice of the court that the investigations had revealed that the accused had created various shell companies and had made unaccounted transactions to the tune of ₹3.5 crore. Further, the agency told the court that besides funding the drug racket, the accused himself was consuming drugs, as per the statement of Mohammed Anoop, the drug dealer arrested by the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB).

Citing that the custodial interrogation of the accused is needed in connection with ₹3.5 crore unaccounted transactions, the ED requested the court to extend his custody for 10 more days. Meanwhile, the advocate representing the accused argued that it was a politically motivated case and his client had disclosed all financial transactions to the agencies concerned. Following ED's request, the court extended Bineesh's custody.

MAKING INDIA PROUD

# Hyderabad varsity faculty among top 200 in world

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THREE University of Hyderabad (UoH) faculty emerged among the top 200 researchers in the world in their respective fields, in a study conducted by researchers from Stanford University, Elsevier and SciTech Strategies. The findings were published in the journal PLOS Biology.

The three researchers are Prof MNV Prasad of the School of Life Sciences, ranked 116th in the field of Environmental Sciences, Prof Ashwini Nangia of School of Chemistry, ranked 124th in Inorganic and Nuclear Chemistry and Prof Pramod K Nayar of the Department of English, ranked 189th in Literary Studies.

While Prof Prasad is an Honorary Professor at UoH after superannuation, Prof Nangia is associated with UoH and is presently serving as Director of National Chemical Laboratory, Pune and Prof Pramod K Nayar is Director—Institution of Eminence, at UoH. As many as 15 UoH faculty figured among the top two per cent of Indian researchers as per the study, which was based on SCOPUS database publications.

# GOVT SCHOOLS IN AP REOPEN AMID STRICT COVID-19 GUIDELINES

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SCHOOLS in Vizag were abuzz with activity as they reopened on Monday amid strict COVID-19 guidelines. With not more than 20 students per classroom, subject-wise classes have begun for Classes 9 and 10 across all government schools here in the city. However, none of the private schools have reopened.

Prior to reopening the schools after seven months, all classrooms were sanitised with hypochlorous acid (HOCI or HICO). Only after thermal screening were teachers and students allowed into the school premises. Wearing of masks is mandatory. The school authorities also administered the COVID-19 pledge to the students and educated them about the killer infection caused by newly discovered coronavirus.

At KDPM High School, almost 90 per cent of students are attending classes. "We have begun the classes only after taking the parents opinion into consideration," said Principal DA Naidu. "All schools have taken letters from the parents saying that they are willing and comfortable to send their children to school," he explained, patiently.

Currently, there are 160 students in Class 10 and 150 in Class 9. Each class is divided into four sections. "I am excited to come to school. The school seems new to me. But I feel safe. Only half of the class is occupied. We are following the social distancing norms," Lalitha Devi , a Class 9 student of the school, said. Her first day at school after many months was nothing less than thrilling, she said.

Most schools are operating only on half-day basis. The teachers, however, stay till the evening. "I am happy to see things going back to normal. To be honest, I prefer offline classes to online. Its easier to identify and help the students," M Tirumala Sridevi, a teacher, said.

Students attend classes as schools reopen after five months, amid strict Covid-19 norms in Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh, on Monday | PRASANT MADUGULA

SHORT-LIVED JOY

# *30 Kerala prisoners freed too early, to be sent back to jail*

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IN a rare development, the state government has cancelled the premature release of 30 prisoners and decided to bring them back to jail. Those who were involved in criminal cases after release are being brought back to the jail to complete the remaining part of their earlier sentence, as per an order issued by the Home Department.

In February 2011, during the fag end of the V S Achuthanandan government, 209 prisoners -- including those involved in political murders -- who were serving life term, were given premature release for good conduct. Curiously, the decision had then led to a major furore for political reasons.

Following the government decision, three writ petitions were filed before the High Court terming it an arbitrary move. In 2019, the HC quashed the government decision and directed it to examine the proposal afresh. The government then constituted a four-member panel under the Additional Chief Secretary (Home) to examine each case. After individual examination of cases, police and probation officer reports, the panel found out that of the 209, 22 people died while 27 were involved in criminal cases after their release.

It was unanimously decided to recommend to incarcerate the 27 persons, involved in criminal cases after release, again to complete the remaining part of their sentence and to allow the other 160 persons to continue to be free in view of their satisfactory conduct, said the order.

However, the attorney-general recommended that only those prisoners who have got favourable reports from the police, probation officers and jail superintendent should be recommended for premature release. Going by this, three prisoners who were earlier found eligible did not satisfy the criteria.

"The persons who have either involved in criminal cases after their release from prison or whose police/probation report is negative shall be re-incarcerated for completing the remaining period of sentence," said the Home Department's order which also made it clear that those who have not involved in crimes after release will continue top be free. Of the 30 identified prisoners, one is in jail. The remaining 29 will be brought back soon.

"As per norms, if prisoners sent on premature release violate the conditions of good conduct, the release can be cancelled. If the prisoners are involved in criminal offences, they would be called back to serve the remaining period of imprisonment," said Alexander Jacob, former DGP (Prisons).

# EDITORIAL

Pakistan tried to raise age of consent, but "ideology council" invalidated reform as blasphemous! Shame on Imran Khan—he protests cartoons but tolerates underage rape justified by blasphemy

Maajid Nawaz

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— Ramnath Goenka

## POLITICAL BATTLES FOR SURVIVAL ACROSS THE GLOBE

Elections are in the air. In far-off America, incumbent Donald Trump's second term hinges on whether his aging but formidable Democrat challenger Joe Biden can pull it off in swing states, particularly Pennsylvania. It looks like a nail-biting finish. Just as in the heartland state of Bihar, where incumbent Nitish Kumar, though propped up by Modi's BJP, is suddenly facing an unprecedented challenge from young Tejashwi Yadav, who's aiming to be like Korak, the son of Tarzan, replaying the deeds of his redoubtable father Lalu Prasad, with an umbrella coalition with the Congress and Left. Strikingly, whether in the US or in Bihar, the fight seems to be structured around survival issues—what policy will mean for subsistence.

Election winds are blowing in other parts of India as well, and it's existential for politicians too. In Madhya Pradesh, ousted CM Kamal Nath is locked in a survival battle not so much with his formal opponent, the incumbent Shivraj Singh Chouhan, but with a Congress renegade, Jyotiraditya Scindia. In Karnataka too, some heavy campaigning just got over in Sira in Tumakuru district and RR Nagar in Bengaluru rural. The result may have no tangible impact on either the B S Yediyurappa government or the fortunes of the Congress or its state chief D K Shivakumar. Nonetheless, it appears to have an aura of a survival battle, with both sides leaving no stone unturned. A victory would of course reconfirm BSY as an undisputed pan-Karnataka leader, not just a Lingayat chieftain, and may willy-nilly signify that DKS cannot stop the GoP's slide, though judging his batting on a bad pitch may be unfair.

Political signifiers aside, a deeper truth is common to all: Wealthy oligarchs and their satraps run the core democratic activity. Elections can only be fought and won by those with deep pockets. Ordinary folks can only be active as voters—else they are passive recipients.

## LET OLYMPIC PREP FOLLOW OWN COURSE

Only a handful of sports events have been conducted in the country in the last few months because of the pandemic. But there have been numerous meetings between stakeholders and various parties to evaluate Olympic preparations. The news of a Parliamentary committee summoning some national sports federations to review their progress last week was bewildering. Yes, the sports ministry has started training camps for elite athletes who have qualified or are on the verge of qualifying for Tokyo 2021. But because of restrictions on using gymnasiums and clamps on close contacts, various sports have not begun full-fledged practice.

Amidst all this, a Parliamentary Standing Committee on Human Resource Development held a meeting with the sports ministry, Sports Authority of India and five national federations—shooting, boxing, wrestling, weightlifting and hockey. Committee chief Vinay Sahasrabuddhe elucidated its role and scope succinctly. "Our agenda is limited to evaluating the preparedness in general and then giving some recommendations for immediate action to the ministry when we finalise our report."

However, certain perplexing questions remain. With just about nine months left for the Olympics, will the panel achieve its desired goal? Preparation schedules cannot be altered at this stage. Sports development is a long-term process, something that yields results after years of hard work. Identifying and nurturing talent is a part of the process. The learned panel must be aware of this. Another question is, if the panel recommends something, will the sports ministry have the time to implement it? Last week, just the sports ministry and SAI could discuss plans. Federations could have been called later on. Perhaps, federations of sports in which Indians have qualified for the Olympics will be called next. This will consume more time. If there is a long-term plan looking ahead to the 2024 and 2028 Olympics, such meetings make sense. But having one just months before the 2021 Olympics is baffling. Until the panel gets down to action quickly, evaluating and recommending measures to fine-tune preparations would sound like Macbethian words. "It is a tale/ Told by an idiot, full of sound and fury/ Signifying nothing".

No matter what the excesses of colonialism, the remark by the veteran Malaysian leader about killing millions of French people in retaliation cannot be morally justified

## DEFENDING THE INDEFENSIBLE: MAHATHIR AND THE 'CRISIS OF ISLAM'

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RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE

It seems Dr Mahathir bin Mohamad is disgusted. Using his official Twitter handle, he claimed on October 30, "I am indeed disgusted with attempts to misrepresent and take out of context what I wrote on my blog yesterday." But what kind of misunderstood context or misrepresentation of meaning would justify this egregiously irresponsible contention: "Muslims have a right to be angry and kill millions of French people for the massacres of the past"?

His remark, which was widely circulated on social media, tweeted and posted to millions of his followers, sparked an understandable worldwide outrage. While the offending statement was taken down on both Twitter and Facebook, none of Mahathir's explanations could erase, occlude or divert from the horror of his indictment of French people and provocation to Muslims to "kill millions" of them.

The 95-year politician is somewhat of a living legend in Malaysia, which he twice led as prime minister, holding this most important office for a total of nearly 25 years. Malaysia itself is a multicultural and multi-religious constitutional monarchy. Though ethnic Malays are supposedly just over 50% of the total population of about 32 million, reliable figures are not easy to obtain. The term Malay is often conflated with Muslim and Bhumiputra (son of the soil). Though other groups, including ethnic Chinese (20%) and Indians (7%) make up some 40% of the population, Islam dominates the religious and cultural landscape of Malaysia as the Malays do its political leadership. Those who remember Malaysia of earlier decades aver that it is increasingly Arabised, Islamised, even radicalised.

As a consequence, was Mahathir trying to score political points at the age of 95? Even so, his remark was bound to be more embarrassing and damaging to his reputation than conducive to garnering support among his followers in Malaysia or among most Muslims in the rest of the world. The only ones who would take heart or find encouragement from his call to kill innocent French men and women would be Islamic radicals, jihadist terrorists and violent fanatics. The question, then, was why was Mahathir intentionally or unintentionally playing to this highly dangerous and dreaded gallery?

No matter what the excesses of French colonialism in Northern Africa or elsewhere, no matter what the crimes, going back even further in time, perpetrated during the Crusades by their ancestors, the call to kill them in retaliation cannot be morally justified. How can we be punished for the misdeeds of our forefathers? By that token, what of massacres and genocides of Islamic conquerors?

Let me name only two, closer home. Consider how Timur treated the citizens of Isfahan when they repulsed his tax collectors. He massacred between 1 to 2 lakh of its residents. One eyewitness recorded over 28 gigantic towers made with piles of some 1,500 decapitated heads each. Timur's capture and sacking of Delhi in 1398 was even more horrific. Lakhs were killed and enslaved, with untold loot falling into the conqueror's hands.

Less than 350 years later, Nadir Shah, after capturing Delhi, slaughtered an estimated 20,000-30,000 men, women and children in just six hours on 22 March 1739. In addition, another 10,000 women and children were reported by a Dutch Delhi dweller to have been taken as slaves. The obvious question to Mahathir is whether it would be justified to call for a reciprocal massacre in this day and age? Or are we, much more simply, to deny that horrors by Islamic armies ever happened?

What did Macron say to spark such a reaction? The French leader, vowing to come down hard on Islamic radicalism, had called Islam a religion "in crisis". The irony of Mahathir's abhorrent call to violence was, perhaps, lost in the controversy—it is precisely remarks such as his which indicate that at least some actors and aspects of Islam are in crisis

Instead of condemning in unequivocal and unambiguous terms the ghastly beheadings carried out by Islamic militants in France, Mahathir chose to blame the French instead. This is not just typical whitewashing or apologetics, but much more dangerous distortion and indefensible polemics. Especially when it comes from a supposedly responsible ex-head of government.

Let us make no mistake: Mahathir did not retract his statement, let alone atone for it. Instead, he said he had been quoted out of context. He even called French President Emmanuel Macron uncivilised in a tweet on October 29: "Macron is not showing that he is civilised. He is very primitive in blaming the religion of Islam and Muslims for the killing of the insulting school teacher. It is not in keeping with the teachings of Islam." But what did Macron say to spark such outrage on part of the nonagenarian veteran? Macron, vowing to come down hard on Islamic radicalism, had called Islam a religion "in crisis".

The irony of Mahathir's abhorrent call to violence was, perhaps, lost in the controversy—it is precisely remarks such as his which indicate that at least some actors and aspects of Islam are in crisis. If they were not, then how would one explain the former Malaysian PM's denial of facts, defence of the indefensible and justification of violence by call to counter-violence? Indeed, no religion is perfect, nor is any religion entirely devoid of positive precepts and practices. Great religions survive and propagate themselves not merely through fear, intimidation or threats, but also through genuine self-criticism and self-correction.

A leader of Mahathir's stature should have showcased to the world this interrogative and reformative aspect of Islam, rather than its bullying, belligerent or self-righteous visage. Instead, he seems to have slipped, falling into a trap of his own making, in condemning the French nation instead of those who killed innocent men and women in the name of Islam, even though the victims had nothing to do with the Charlie Hebdo cartoons.

Sorry, Dr Mahathir, it is we who are disgusted. We thought of you not just as Malaysia's strongman, but as a statesman of world stature. You proved us wrong. Your tweet/Facebook post was taken down for the right reasons. No matter how you wish to spin it, your endorsement of Muslims' "right to be angry and kill millions of French people" cannot be countenanced under any pretext or context. An unconditional apology is still awaited and would be appreciated not just by France but by the free and civilised world.

*(Tweets @MakrandParanspe)*

## WHY GANDHI WOULD HAVE LOVED MODI'S NEW AGRICULTURE INC.

HINDOL SENGUPTA

Vice President & Head of Research, Invest India, GoI's national investment promotion agency

Perhaps the most exciting thing happening in the Indian economy today is a reimagining of its agriculture. For years I have wondered why, at a time when there is so much conversation about enterprise and start-ups, there isn't enough chatter about how some of the most exciting enterprises and brands, in fact, could be born out of Indian agriculture. But that has finally started to happen.

Two pieces of news triggered this essay. First, Minister of Textiles Smriti Irani launched Kasturi, India's first cotton brand, and announced that a certification process for Indian organic produce was on its way, and second, farmers in Lahaul valley of Himachal Pradesh started cultivating asafoetida (colloquially known as *hing*). This condiment is popular across myriad Indian kitchens and yet is almost entirely imported—around 1,200 tonnes of it—from Afghanistan, Iran and Uzbekistan at a cost of around $100 million.

The story in organic cotton is even more interesting. According to research conducted by the global not-for-profit Textile Exchange that was published in their Organic Cotton Market Report 2020, India fuelled the global growth in organic cotton in 2018/19. The report notes, "India was by far the biggest contributor to global growth this year, adding 37,138 MT [million tonnes] to the global total." India, the report noted, also had the highest amount of land 'in-conversion' to cultivating organic cotton in the world, of 23,251 ha [hectares], or a little less than half of the global total. According to data from the our government, India is the second largest cotton producer and the largest consumer of cotton in the world. India produces about six million tonnes of cotton every year, which is about 23% of the world cotton. It also produces about 51% of the total organic cotton in the world.

So what were the missing links? Two things that are the highlights of the Kasturi and the asafoetida cases—superior branding and certification, highlighting world-beating quality, and connection to scientific innovation. For instance, the asafoetida cultivation started primarily because of untiring efforts from a research institution, the Institute of Himalayan Bioresource Technology at Palampur.

Giving Indian farm produce the confidence of world-class certification and branding, and bringing to it the kind of innovation and scientific research-connected-to-markets that usually only manufacturing and tech products receive, is what our country's agriculture needs to convert it into a demand-driven high-end sales and exports powerhouse.

There are two aspects to this. First, customers must demand local produce not merely since they are local (which in itself is not a bad reason at all) but because they are unquestionably of a superior quality. The same reason, for instance, that Indian customers (and international customers) would go looking for a handmade pashmina shawl rather than its Scottish counterpart. Not that Scottish woollen products are not exquisite, but just that a pashmina is a pashmina, conversation over.

From branding organic cotton to cultivating asafoetida, India is reimaging its agriculture sector. The results could be immensely profitable and also uniquely Gandhian. There can be no greater tribute to the Mahatma than the celebration of India's farm produce

This demand must first be created at home before it seeps through the world, for which culture has ever won the world before winning (at least some of) the neighbourhood?

There is also the question of ascertaining quality. India is fertile ground, for instance, for being one of the world's biggest suppliers of organic material (from food to fabric) at a time, during and after the pandemic, when demand for organic goods is soaring in every part of the globe. But organic produce needs certification, it needs authentication, and the more steadfast the certification, the higher could be its value in the world markets.

Deeper connectivity of agriculture research centres and laboratories to farms would help in reinvigorating the kind of innovative practice that the asafoetida case demonstrates. It would engender a new wave of collaboration that stretches from the laboratory to the field and finally to the plate of the customer.

The marrying of branding, certification and research to agriculture in a more intrinsic way is fragrant with Gandhian idealism. It is the bedrock of Mahatma Gandhi's dream that villages are not merely social clusters but self-sustaining economic engines that hub with the rhythm of a natural, poetic sustainability that places man and man's needs within—and not in opposition to—the cycle of life.

Gandhi would have cheered greater innovation in agriculture, which can only mean more prosperity in farming communities and the bridging of the futile urban-rural divide. The appreciation of what Indian farms have to offer to the world must begin at home, but it must also swiftly spread around the globe.

There can be no greater tribute to Gandhi than the celebration of India's farm produce, engaged as he was through his lifetime, both in the active rejoicing of handmade fabric and the pleasures of unadulterated farm food. Prime Minister Narendra Modi's agricultural thrust would please him.

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## MAILBAG

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### Not given their due

The Lokayukta's rap to the Karnataka government for the delay in disbursing salaries to school teachers in the state is timely. It's unfortunate that teachers, who are responsible for the quality of future citizens and are the torch-bearers of the nation, are not given their due both socially and financially.

**R Sriramprasad, Bengaluru**

### Sincerity of teachers

The delay in paying teachers indicates the apathy of the social welfare department. Hundreds of teachers have been working under contract in Karnataka for nearly seven months without getting their salaries. Despite this, they have managed to conduct SSLC exams, revaluation and other duties, which indicates their sincerity towards the job.

**V N Subramanyam, Bengaluru**

### Damage is already done

The comment of senior Congress leader and Kerala Pradesh Congress Committee president Mullappally Ramachandran that any woman with self-respect would die if she was raped is indicative of his misogynistic and patriarchal mindset. Though he retracted his foot-in-the-mouth statement soon after, the damage to his and the party's reputation has already been done.

**A Raveendranath, Aranmula**

### Unbecoming of the leader

It is not the first time Mullappally Ramachandran has lost control of his tongue with reference to women while addressing an audience. It is unbecoming of a leader of his stature and no amount of apology will save him from becoming a laughing stock.

**Aravindaksha Menon, Pattambi**

### Most misused word in India

The word 'secularism' is the most misused one by politicians in our country to gain political advantage. According to many of them, appeasement of a single community is secularism. They are dividing people on the basis of caste, creed and community, which is very dangerous for peaceful coexistence.

**S Ravindranath, Bengaluru**

### Re-verify credentials of all

The report that an IAS officer who secured the 215th rank in the civil services exam in 2015 had joined the service with spurious documents is shocking. An all-India system to re-verify the credentials of all successful candidates should be put in place by an autonomous body in the best interests of the country.

**Thomas K M, Muvattupuzha**

### As dangerous as drugs

This is with reference to *Drugs, social media and the addictions of our age* (Nov 2). The article highlights the different forms addiction can take. Most of them seem innocuous, but they can be as dangerous as drugs.

**Dharmarajan A K, Thalassery**

### Incurable addictions?

While there are remedial and detoxification measures available for liquor and drug addictions, something like a social media addiction seems incurable. Civil societies and political leaders are clueless about how to exorcise this overindulgence by the people. Polarisation, hate and other negative vibes are the side effects of excessive social media use. Awareness campaigns may be able to counter this.

**K Jayanthi, Chennai**

### Centre must stand by word

This is with reference to *Centre must walk the talk on Polavaram* (Nov 2). The Polavaram project has been surrounded by controversy and corruption since 1941, when it was conceived by the Britishers. The Centre must stand by its promise and not reduce the project to a joke.

**K Nehru Patnaik, Visakhapatnam**

### Not the last IPL for Dhoni

CSK Captain M S Dhoni's statement that this was not the last time he was playing in the IPL has brought relief to fans the world over. Though the team is out of the tournament this year, the change in players towards the latter half reflected the team's attitude towards victory. One hopes the management considers infusing young blood into the team next year to bring glory back to CSK.

**A P Thiruvadi, Chennai**

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**TWEETS OF THE DAY**

**Sushmita Dev** @sushmitadevinc

This advert says 'WOMEN'S KITCHEN...' this is entrenched in gender bias ! @PMOIndia - A kitchen belongs to a family including the men.

**Priyanka Gandhi Vadra** @priyankagandhi

While the public is suffering due to the rising prices of vegetables, the farmers do not get their prices and the debt burden is increasing on them.

**J P Nadda** @JPNadda

This is the same Tejashwi Yadav who had made fun of democracy. The people of Bihar know what will happen next if we bring them back again.

# 50-59 age group worst hit by Covid

## Researchers claim that on average, nearly 20 years of life is lost by a death in India

**SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA** @ New Delhi

THE age-group disproportionately affected by the Covid-19 in India is 50–59 years, both for getting the disease and for death, and not the extreme old age above 80, as is generally believed, according to the latest analysis on coronavirus deaths in the country.

The analysis has also shown that on average, nearly 20 years of life is lost by a Covid death in India and overall, the deaths due to the infectious disease may cause a loss of a total of more than 4 million life-years in full-year.

The researchers associated with the department of clinical research in Max hospital in Delhi Max Healthcare have assessed that a total of over 2 million years of life have already been lost due to the Covid-19 and the pattern indicates that the country may end up with nearly 4 million year of lives lost due to this disease.

This is nearly 20 years lost per Covid-19 death, 303 years lost per 1,000 cases of Covid-19, and about three years lost per 1,000 population in a full year.

"The age-group 50–59 years has been particularly affected... The years of life lost so far and anticipated in full-year are enormous but may still be lower compared with some other causes such as road injuries," noted the authors in their paper "Preliminary Estimates of Years of Life Lost (YLL) Due to COVID-19 in India".

The researchers also sought to underscore the role played by the healthcare system in preventing deaths by saying that "our medical services seem to be doing an excellent job of saving the life of old age people from this disease as the death rate by Covid in them has been lower than in the general population."

The study also reiterates that less than 2% of all Covid-19 deaths were in the age-group less than 20 years, whereas against this, in the total population, nearly 14% of all deaths in India were in this age group.

Thus, the disease is nearly one-seventh as fatal in this age-group as the all-cause mortality in India. The situation in the age-group 60 years and above is nearly the reverse. The share of this age-group in total Covid-19 deaths was over 51% whereas in the general population this was 56%.

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## Active cases go down by three times in two months

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** @ New Delhi

IN a span of two months, the percentage of active Covid-19 cases in India have reduced by over three times, the Centre said on Monday. On September 3, the percentage of active cases was 21.16%, while they have now come down to 6.83% of the total positive cases. The number of confirmed cases in India stands at 82,29,313, while the toll due to the disease has reached 1,22,607.

The day also marked another significant milestone as the Covid-19 testing crossed the 11-crore mark. As on Monday morning, 11,07,43,103 tests had been carried out to detect the cases in the country so far.

"The country's testing capacities have multiplied manifold with 2,037 labs across the country and with collaborative efforts of the Centre and state and UT governments," said the Union Health Ministry in a statement.

In the last 24 hours, 45,321 cases and 496 deaths were recorded. Also, 78% of the new recovered cases in the past 24 hours were from 10 states and UTs. "Kerala and Karnataka have contributed the highest number to these with over 8,000 cases. Delhi and West Bengal follow with more than 4,000 cases," said the ministry.

As per the figures shared by the ministry, 80% of the new cases are concentrated in 10 states and Kerala surged to first place with 7,025 new cases, while Delhi and Maharashtra, both reported over 5,000 daily new cases. Of the fresh deaths recorded in a day, 10 states and UTs account for 82% of fatalities and 22% of deaths reported were from Maharashtra (113 deaths) followed by West Bengal, which reported 59 deaths.

Polling officials carry EVMs and VVPATs as they leave for a station ahead of the UP by-elections in Amroha district | PTI

# Bypolls: Advantage BJP in MP, test of Yogi's popularity in UP

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** @ Bhopal/Lucknow

THE November 3 by-elections to 35 seats in the Hindi heartland – 28 in Madhya Pradesh and seven in Uttar Pradesh – are crucial for the BJP as these will test the popularity of its two chief ministers, Shivraj Singh Chouhan and Yogi Adiyanath.

In Madhya Pradesh, the real test is of Jyotiraditya Scindia, who led 22 of his loyalist MLAs to the BJP camp in March this year, throwing out the Kamal Nath-led Congress government and necessitating the by-elections.

As many as 17 seats lie in the Gwalior-Chambal region, considered Scindia's stronghold. Out of the remaining 11 seats, two are in central MP, two in Bundelkhand region, four in Malwa region, two in Nimar and one in Mahakoshal region.

The BJP needs to win only nine seats to have a majority of its own in the 230-member MP Assembly. For the Congress, with 87 seats, the by-election victory would only mean a morale booster.

The fate of 12 Madhya Pradesh ministers is at stake. Ten of them are Scindia loyalists.

As many as 23 ministers – all BJP candidates – had ended up as losers in the 2013 and 2018 assembly polls.

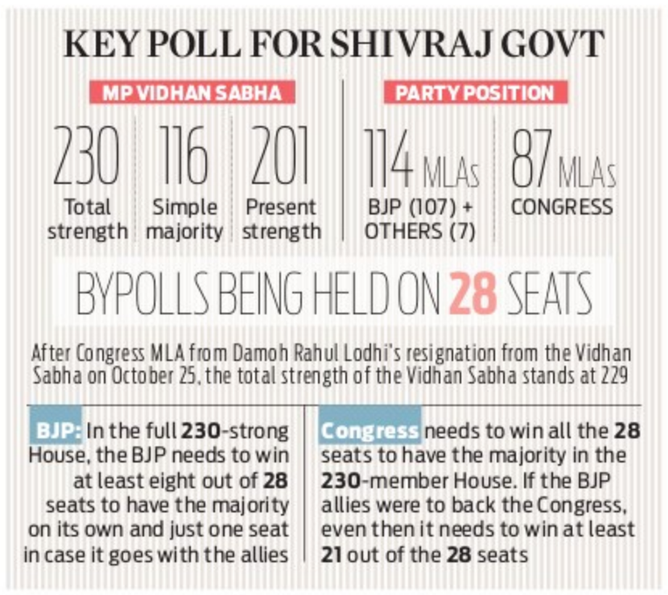
The BJP is apprehensive of sabotage. Out of the 28 assembly by-polls, 25 have been necessitated by resignation of former Congress MLAs, while three fell vacant due to the death of sitting MLAs.

In Uttar Pradesh, the result of the seven assembly seats could potentially be seen as a mini-referendum on the performance of the three-and-a-half-year-old Yogi Adityanath government.

The seats where the by-elections are due are Ghatampur, Malhani, Bangarmau, Deoria Naugaon Sadat, Bulandshahr and Tundla. In the 2017 elections, the BJP had won six. Malhani in Jaunpur was the exception.

The BJP pressed into action its entire cadre with Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath holding back-to-back rallies across the seven constituencies. However, no prominent leader from the three main opposition parties — SP, BSP and Congress — participated in the by-poll campaign.

Analysts say the Samajwadi Party is banking on the consolidation of the Muslim votes, especially after BSP chief Mayawati last week declared she would support even the BJP to ensure the defeat of SP in Vidhan Parishad elections due in January.


KEY POLL FOR SHIVRAJ GOVT
MP VIDHAN SABHA
230 Total strength
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PARTY POSITION
114 MLAs BJP (107) + OTHERS (7)
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BYPOLLS BEING HELD ON 28 SEATS
After Congress MLA from Damoh Rahul Lodhi's resignation from the Vidhan Sabha on October 25, the total strength of the Vidhan Sabha stands at 229
BJP: In the full 230-strong House, the BJP needs to win at least eight out of 28 seats to have the majority on its own and just one seat in case it goes with the allies
Congress needs to win all the 28 seats to have the majority in the 230-member House. If the BJP allies were to back the Congress, even then it needs to win at least 21 out of the 28 seats

# After France attacks, 'stunned' India calls for joint action against terrorism

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** @ New Delhi

FOREIGN Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla, who is on a week-long trip to Europe, met interlocutors in Germany on Tuesday. Sources said the foreign secretary said "we are all stunned by the recent tragic terror attacks in France".

"India has strongly condemned these acts of terror and expressed solidarity with President Macron and the people of France. The terror attacks in France vindicate our long term assertion that terror knows no boundaries," sources said.

Saying that terrorists today are united in purpose and action while victims are yet to be so, sources said that some countries who are the fountainhead of terror are practicing dissimulation and claiming to be victims of terror to gain international sympathy.

"We should be aware of these moves and learn to call a spade a spade," sources said.

India also called for like-minded countries to work together to disrupt the sophisticated networks that terrorists use both underground and on the internet. "There can be no justification for terror under any circumstances. But we note with some satisfaction that the world is increasingly realising it and working with us on this," they said.

On the Indo-Pacific region, they said that the region has begun to occupy an important place in Germany's strategic outlook and India is an important actor here. "In the recent German foreign policy turn towards the Indo-Pacific, India is perhaps the most reliable partner to implement our shared vision for the region," they said.

Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla (R) in Germany during his week-long Europe tour | EXPRESS

**Tough task**

More than 40,000 troops on each side have amassed since the first week of May. One of challenges earlier was related to the mechanised forces. "With heavy machinery being moved to such a difficult location, we sorted the issues related to spares and maintenance," said an Army officer. "There is no confirmation from the China about the 8th round of Corps Commanders talks," the officer added.

## Troops begin rotational duty hours in eastern Ladakh

**MAYANK SINGH** @ New Delhi

INDIAN Army soldiers manning the stand-off frontline in eastern Ladakh have started their rotational duty hours to optimise operational deployment.

"A portion of troops is rotated with the next lot which has completed its training and acclimatisation right before the forward troops. We are following 90-day cycle which includes the travelling time up and down," said an Army officer

The condition in eastern Ladakh has unique challenges. The Siachen area has the maximum possibility of avalanches. In eastern Ladakh, however, the biggest challenge is high-speed cold winds. The weather conditions have started worsening with temperatures dipping to minus 20 degree Celsius. "The faster the wind, the colder and more difficult it becomes," said the Army officer.

Doctors have been kept on standby to cater to the immediate requirements. "The Siachen logistics machinery is in existence since 1984 and we have drawn our lessons about the supply of rations, ammunition and procurement of special high-altitude clothing," said an Army source.

Managing the supply lines and winter clothing were the key challenges in eastern Ladakh, initially. "It has been sorted out with time as 15,000 Special Clothing and Mountaineering Equipment have been procured from the United States".

Besides, each operational point has been stocked extra for at least a week's requirement and logistics bases have been raised in such a manner that the maximum rotation time for every requirement is not more than 24 hours, said the Army officer.

**FRESH START**

## Gen Naravane to break ice in strained ties with Nepal

NEW DELHI: Army Chief General MM Naravane's visit to Nepal on November 5 could ease the tension between India and Nepal and is likely to set the stage for foreign secretary-level talks, sources said.

The talks were halted amid growing tensions following Nepal releasing a new political map which included the territories of Limipyadhura, Kalapani and Lipulekh as its own. Sources said if the Army chief's trip goes as per plan, New Delhi will also push for the resumption of foreign-secretary level talks and also for a meeting of the joint technical-level boundary committee.

After heightened tensions, both New Delhi and Kathmandu have softened their stand in an attempt to reset ties. In an action seen as an attempt to release the tension, Nepal Prime Minister K P Sharma Oli decided to stop the distribution of textbooks which had the new map. Oli, in a Cabinet reshuffle, also removed Ishwar Porkhrel from the defence minister's post. Pokhrel was seen to be a staunch critic of India and is said to have been not to keen to host Naravane.

In another move, Oli, who has retained the defence ministry, approved the Indian Army chief's visit to the Himalayan Nation and will meet him on November 5. Naravane will also be given the rank of Honorary General of the Nepalese Army during his visit. *ENS*

# 'India-US ties to have ups & downs irrespective of Presidential poll winner'

**PUSHKAR BANAKAR** @ New Delhi

WITH the US polls just around the corner, eyes are also on the fate of India-US ties as America votes for a new President. Though foreign relations do not influence the results of elections in a significant way, it is important to look at what could be in store for the India-US relations depending on who goes on to win the polls.

Experts say if Donald Trump retains power, India will be comforted by the continuity factor New Delhi has invested heavily in his administration. They, however, caution that irrespective of Trump or his rival, Democratic Presidential candidate Joe Biden, coming to power, bilateral ties will have their share of ups and downs.

"A Biden administration is likely to provide more concessions to India on issues like immigration and relief on H1Bs In particular. Biden is also likely to be less zero-sum in his approach toward the US-India trade and commercial relationship. But Biden is also likely to raise concern on socio-political issues of India that New Delhi may not necessarily want to be engaged on and considers internal in nature. There will also be a shift in focus on collaborating on issues like climate change and renewables which suffered a back seat in the Trump administration," Kriti Upadhyaya, a researcher at the Washington-based Center for Strategic and International Studies, said.

Harinder Sekhon, an expert on Indo-US relations, is of the opinion that ties have witnessed a steady strengthening and enjoy bipartisan support among both the Democrats and Republicans. "There will be no major policy shift under either Biden or Trump 2.0 but India will not be the main focus of their attention after the elections," she said.

**Trump & Biden will give the India-US ties a priority, though for Biden it may not be the very first thing on his agenda**

Kriti Upadhyaya, a researcher

Upadhyaya said there could be more push back on immigration issues in a second Trump administration. "But Trump will not focus on India's internal issues and has made great strides in our defence ties which will continue. The US-India ties will be key to Trump, especially as the US has moved a bit further from its other more traditional allies during his presidency. He will also be more confrontational than conciliatory with China and has used a tougher language for Pakistan than his predecessors - which is again a welcome for India," she said.

**A-G IN COURT**

## 'Rakhi-for-bail in sex abuse case a drama'

NEW DELHI: Attorney General K K Venugopal on Monday described the bail order by the Madhya Pradesh High Court as a "drama" that had asked an accused to get a 'rakhi' tied by a woman who had levelled molestation charges against him.

"The judge seems to have been carried away. This is a drama and it has to condemned," Venugopal told a bench, headed by Justice A M Khanwilkar. The top law officer suggested to the court that such orders need to be condemned and that judges must get training in gender sensitisation too. Venugopal was assisting the bench with regard to a petition by nine women lawyers to set aside a Madhya Pradesh High Court order granting bail to an accused in a molestation case on the condition that he requests the complainant to tie him a rakhi.

Criticising the High Court order, Venugopal said, "My suggestion is counsel them, train them in gender sensitisation. The judgments by this court on conditions of bail should also be uploaded on all websites so that they know what can be done and what can't." The bench agreed with Venugopal's statements and said that the discretion that a judge can exercise in laying down conditions while granting bail has to be delineated. *ENS*

**EXPRESS READ**

### SC refuses to extend security to ex-judge

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday refused to extend the security of former special judge SK Yadav who had pronounced the verdict in a criminal case related to the Babri Masjid demolition and acquitted all 32 accused, including BJP veterans Lal Krishna Advani, Murli Manohar Joshi and Uma Bharti. Yadav, who had delivered the judgement on his last day in office, had sought extension of his personal security over the sensitivity of the case. "Having perused the letter dated September 30, we do not consider it necessary to continue (the) security," the bench said.

## Nafed floats bids for supply of 15,000 tons of imported red onions by November 20

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** @ New Delhi

TO deal with the high price of onions, the central cooperative, Nafed, has invited bids from importers for the supply of 15,000 tons of red onions by November 20 in order to boost the domestic availability and check price rise. It has asked bidders to supply of red onions from any country of origin at ₹50 per kg by November 20.

The move will help augment the domestic supply and reduce the prices. Onions are currently selling at ₹80-100 a kg in retail markets. Moreover, the issue of the soaring price of the product has also been raised by Opposition leaders in Bihar polls. The cooperative has said the bid can be done for a minimum quantity of 2,000 tons to be supplied in multiple lots of 500 tons. The bidding will close on November 4 and the received bids will be opened on the same day. The shipments are to be delivered at Jawaharlal Nehru Port and Kandla ports.

The bids will be evaluated based on volumes, quality and early date of shipment. Bidders have to supply fresh, well dried and cured onions. Since the buffer stock of onion, which Nafed manages on behalf of the government, is gradually getting depleted, the cooperative has been asked to augment domestic supplies with imported onions to continue with the ongoing market intervention. Last year, Nafed had not only imported on own some quantities but also distributed onions imported by state-run MMTC.

This year, it wants to get the supplies from importers so that shipments could arrive fast and improve the domestic supply situation. Even the size of onion, Nafed has specified for supply is what Indians normally consume.

**LOVE JIHAD**

After BJP-ruled Uttar Pradesh and Haryana, Madhya Pradesh is likely to bring a law against 'love jihad'. On the eve of Assembly bypoll, CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan hinted towards legal provisions against 'love jihad'.

5 MEMBERS OF A FAMILY KILLED IN JHARKHAND ACCIDENT

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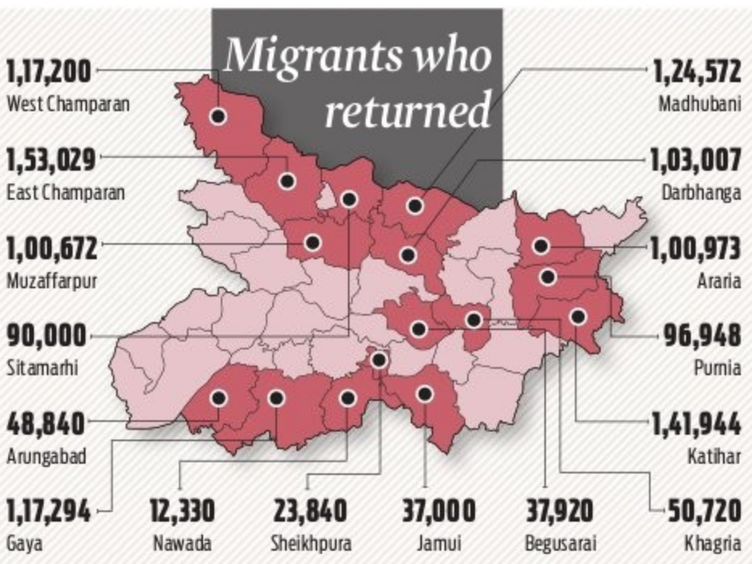


**DEVELOPMENT INDICES**

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| Sitamarhi | 658 | 2,38,426 (6.9) | 2,071 | 48.8 |
| Gaya | 1,036 | 83,652 (2.4) | 3,115 | 45.8 |
| Araria | 840 | 1,01,031 (2.9) | 1,889 | 50.3 |
| Muzaffarpur | 1,052 | 1,80,015 (5.2) | 3,359 | 45.9 |
| Purnia | NA | 1,01,004 (2.9) | 2,442 | 49.9 |
| Sheikhpura | 1,512 | 43,267 (1.3) | 581 | 45.5 |
| Katihar | 1,061 | 76,819 (2.2) | 1,914 | 50.0 |
| Jamui | 1,523 | 55,977 (1.6) | 1,704 | 47.4 |
| Begusarai | 971 | 60,273 (1.8) | 1,819 | 47.9 |
| Khagaria | 1,087 | 60,461 (1.8) | 1,704 | 50.2 |
| Nawada | 891 | 77,091 (2.2) | 1,608 | 47.0 |

A Health institution per 10 lakh population(as on Sept 2018)
B Individual household latrine (with percentage share – 2017-18)
C Number of primary and upper primary schools(2016-17)
D Intensity of deprivation among the poor

# DILEMMA FOR MIGRANTS: CHHATH WITH FAMILY OR FOOD TO EAT

With savings gone and no jobs in their state, migrants have no choice but to leave Bihar

MUKESH RANJAN & RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR
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"*BIHAR mein kaa ba* (What's there in Bihar)?" said Sanjay Sahni, 32, borrowing from a parody rap song that has gone viral in the state, as he waited at the Muzaffarpur bus stand with a tattered bag by his side to catch a bus to Delhi. "*Jarahe hain Dilli, wahin mazdoori karenge to kuch paisa aayega aur apne parivaar ka pet palenge* (I am going to Delhi to work there and earn some money so that I can feed my family)."

Asked why he was leaving without voting, Sahni from Ratanpur village in Darbhanga district, said he had got a job in Delhi and did not want to miss the opportunity, especially at time when jobs are hard to come by.

This is the first time Sahni will not vote, but he said had no option. If he stays back, his family would die of hunger. At a time when many other villagers are returning home to celebrate Chhath Puja on November 21, he has left his wife and three children behind.

Naresh Yadav, 45, of Done village in Darbhanga, a cook, was also in Delhi-bound. "I would have gone after the elections and Chhath," he said, but his employer has been calling him to rejoin work or he would hire someone else. "If I don't go, how will I sustain? Earlier, I used to come home every year in October-November to celebrate Diwali and Chhath."

Bihar's statistics on migration of workers speak a lot about the failed promises of development. According to the state government, about 22 lakh migrant workers returned home by 1,600 special Shramik trains during the lockdown, with East Champaran district recording the highest figure of 1.53 lakh.

The actual numbers are said to be much higher as thousands of workers left jobless overnight, walked and reached home even before the government began the exercise to map the returning migrants.

So far, the migrants had been mostly living off their savings. With the money now gone, they are desperate to get work anywhere they can. A travel agent in Patna said he had sent over 50,000 migrants to Punjab after the lockdown eased. "Hundreds of migrants are leaving for Delhi, Punjab, Surat and other places due to lack of job opportunities in Bihar," he said.

Nearly three lakh migrants who had returned to Bihar had been enrolled in the electoral list. But with livelihood being a priority, many are skipping exercising their franchise. Although unemployment is currently the biggest worry, it is not the only problem plaguing Bihar. On health, education and other social and economic development indices, the state has consistently ranked among the bottom few.

According to the Niti Aayog's Health Index 2019, Bihar was the second-worst among big states scoring poorly on total fertility rate, low birth weight, TB treatment success rate and other parameters. In the School Education Quality Index report for 2019, too, Bihar ranked 17th among the 20 big states.

The Aayog's index on social development goals, released early this year, placed Bihar at the bottom. According to the Bihar Economic Survey 2018-19, only 2.2% households had toilets at home in Katihar, 2.4% in Gaya, 2.9% in Araria and 5.2% in Muzaffarpur, some of the districts that saw the highest reverse migration.

Sunil Kumar of Taryani Chapra village in Sheohar district had returned home two-and-a-half years ago from Surat and vowed to never go back. But after the lockdown, it has become extremely difficult for the fabric designer to feed his elderly parents. "The floods have destroyed our fields; I have no option," said the 23-year-old, who took a loan to book a train ticket to Delhi.

Vikas Kumar of Muzaffarpur said somewhat cynically that casting his vote would not earn him any money to make ends meet. "I am going back to Delhi," said the 22-year-old vegetable vendor.

Political leaders realise the undercurrent of anger that the massive unemployment has created. "Unemployment and migration are interlinked and it has become the main issue in these elections. Those who had faced unprecedented hardship while returning during the lockdown will not forget the neglect of the government," said RJD spokesperson Mrityunjay Tiwari.

The ruling JD-U, though, claims to have done a lot for the migrants. "They got cash, foodgrain and even clothes and utensils at the quarantine centres," said party spokesperson Ajay Alok.

Chief Minister Nitish Kumar blamed the RJD rule from 1990 to 2005 for Bihar's woes, including unemployment and migration, despite the fact that he has been in power since 2005. "Our government has checked it (migration) to a great extent and will continue working in future also to stop it completely, if voted to power again," he claimed at a rally in Bhagalpur on Saturday.

Many of the migrants who are again leaving the state are not buying his claims. "We will not vote. Had this government done something, we would not have to go and work outside the state," said Ajeet Kumar Rai of Vaishali, a daily wager in Himachal Pradesh.

With promises holding out little hope, migration is the only option before the lakhs of youths. The choice is simple: it's either vote or food.

Left with no means of livelihood, Bihar migrants are returning to the states where they either used to work earlier or wherever they get employment | EXPRESS

**I would have gone after the elections and Chhath ... If I don't go, how will I sustain? Earlier, I used to come home in October-November to celebrate Diwali and Chhath** — Naresh Yadav from Darbhanga

# Cong banks on local leaders in Bihar, bypolls

RICHA SHARMA @ New Delhi

WITH the second phase of polling in Bihar and key by-elections in Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh on Tuesday, a majority of the Congress brass have so far skipped campaigning as there has not been much demand, especially from the party's Bihar unit.

The party had released a list of 30 star campaigners for the Bihar assembly election and for byelections in 28 seats in MP. The list included Congress chief Sonia Gandhi, former PM Manmohan Singh, Priyanka Gandhi-Vadra and chief ministers of three Congress ruled states, Amarinder Singh of Punjab, Ashok Gehlot of Rajasthan and Bhupesh Baghel of Chhattisgarh.

But none of them has so far gone to Bihar, leaving it to the state leaders. The Congress is also banking on the transfer of votes from its ally, the Rashtriya Janata Dal.

Rahul Gandhi campaigned during the first two phases of the polling in Bihar held on October 28 and November 3 and is scheduled to visit the state again November 3-4 for the last leg of the elections.

"There was a request for Rahul and Priyanka Gandhi to campaign in Bihar. As far as other star campaigners are concerned, the state unit realized that it was better to keep focus on local issues and local leaders. The entire campaign has been managed by Rahul's close aide RS Surjewala, who has been camping in Patna since October 15," said a senior party leader.

As for the byelections, only Baghel campaigned in Madhya Pradesh, leaving the field to former chief minister Kamal Nath. According to party sources, the Gandhi family has only twice campaigned in byelections, that too only for the Lok Sabha in 1978 and 2009.

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## HAM wants Paswan's death probed

Amid a growing political acrimony between NDA and LJP, the Hindustani Awam Morcha (Secular), led by former CM Jitan Ram Manjhi, dropped a bombshell on Monday. In a letter to PM Modi, he has demanded a probe into the death of LJP founder Ram Vilas Paswan. Later, Chirag told the media that no one should play politics over a dead person now.

## 495 crorepatis in 2nd phase polling

In one of the poorest states of the country, Bihar's second round polls on November 3 will feature 495 crorepati candidates, says a report released by the Bihar Election Watch and the Association for Democratic Reforms (ADR). Out of the total 1,463 candidates, 118 have declared their assets worth ₹5 crore or more.

**AGRI POLITICS**

# Rajasthan becomes 3rd state to counter Centre's laws

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

THE Ashok Gehlot-led COngress government passed three Bills in the Rajasthan Assembly on Monday to negate the impact of the recent farm laws enacted by the Centre.

Rajasthan has become the third Congress-ruled state after Punjab and Chhattisgarh to bypass the central laws.

The Gehlot government has introduced a number of provisions in the Bills to protect the interests of farmers which include sale or purchase of a crop under farming agreement on a price equal or greater than MSP, fines and imprisonment of three to seven years for harassment of farmers.

A special effort was made to ensure that farmers' produce get a fixed price — the MSP was fixed for at least seven crops — wheat, gram, mustard, moong, urad, soybean and groundnut have been ensured for farmers. In addition, provisions of punishment ( jail and/or fine ) were spelt out in case, crops are purchased at a price lower than MSP.

In the Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance and Farm Services (Rajasthan Amendment) Bill, a specific provision states, " no Farming Agreement for the sale or purchase of a crop shall be valid unless the price paid for such agricultural produce is equal to, or greater than, the prevailing MSPs, announced by the Central Govt for that crop."

Also, three new sections have been added as special provisions for Rajasthan which provide for — three to seven years in jail with or without a fine of ₹5 lakh — if farmers are harassed besides giving powers to the government to give directions in such cases.

The passage of the Bills was preceded by a heated debate with BJP and Congress MLAs trading charges against each other. "The Gehlot government has brought the Bills only to please the top Congress leaders in Delhi. The language for central laws used by the state seems as if those laws are from Pakistan," Deputy Leader of the Opposition Rajendra Singh Rathore claimed.

**EXPRESS READ**

## Mamata doubles cycle allotment for school students

Kolkata: The Mamata Banerjee government has decided to distribute 20 lakh bicycles for the students studying in Classes 9 to 12 before the 2021 Bengal Assembly elections. Initially, the government decided to distribute 10 lakh bicycles in this fiscal but Mamata doubled the number. Incidentally, a flagship scheme for school students — Sabuj Sathi — has seen 84 lakh students get bicycles. The scheme had bagged the World Summit on the Information Society award under the UN this year. "The Chief Minister directed us to prepare the lists of students and distribute the bicycles among them," said an official.

# SC seeks status report on Mallya's extradition

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Monday asked the Centre to file a status report on the extradition of fugitive businessman Vijay Mallya within six weeks.

Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, representing the Centre, submitted before a bench headed by Justice UU Lalit that some legal proceedings are still pending in the UK, which is delaying Mallya's extradition.

The court slated the hearing to January next year.

Justice Lalit noted that the order dated August 31 cites an MEA report that certain legal proceedings by contemnor (Mallya) are pending in the UK.

The top court had asked the counsel for Mallya to respond on the nature of these proceedings. The bench noted that an intervention application has been filed by EC Agrawala, counsel for Mallya, seeking discharge from the case.

Justice Lalit said the application seeking discharge is rejected and Agrawala shall continue to be the counsel for the contemnor.

Justice Lalit queried Mehta, "When will the Mallya's extradition process be completed? Any time frame?"

Mehta replied that no information is available from the Indian High Commission in London yet.

# Urdu poet booked for France remark

NAMITA BAJPAI @Lucknow

URDU poet Munawwar Rana was booked by the Uttar Pradesh Police a day after a video went viral wherein he was seen speaking allegedly in 'support' of the killings in France over Prophet Mohammed's caricatures.

The Sahitya Akademi winner was charged under Section 153 A (promoting enmity between different groups on the ground of religion), 295 A (deliberate and malicious acts, intended to outrage religious feelings), 298 (uttering, words, etc., with deliberate intent to wound religious feelings), 505(1)(b) (punishes those who intent to cause or likely to cause fear or alarm among the public), 505 (2) (whoever makes, publishes or circulates any statement, rumour or report, with intent to incite, or which is likely to incite offence against any class) of the IPC and the IT Act.

As per the FIR registered by sub-inspector Deepak Kumar Pandey of Hazratganj police station, cognizance was taken of the viral video showing Rana make statement in support of murder in France.

The charges are of non-bailable nature.

Rana, however, by his stand over the issue saying he had not said anything wrong. "I said that anyone who intends to mock the Gods or figures worshipped in any religion should be eliminated," he said, adding that as a worshipper of Maa Saraswati, he was not scared of an FIR.

**I had said that the cartoonist who sketched Prophet Mohammad mockingly was wrong and the person who killed the cartoonist was also wrong**

Munawwar Rana, Sahitya Akademi winner

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**RAIPUR DIARY**

### New tourist attraction in Raipur

Budha Talab-Vivekanand Sarovar in Raipur is ready with a new visual treat for tourists. A huge fountain adds beauty to the lake spread across 87 acre area. Besides a children park and an open gym, the pond has a floating deck, a musical fountain, a laser show, boating facility and an enthralling tunnel jet fountainhead with the magnificent entrance. The concept inaugurated on Chhattisgarh's 20th anniversary was done under the smart city project. A statue of Swami Vivekananda equally remains a key tourist attraction.

### Untapped potential in aluminium industry

India's consumption pattern of aluminium continues to be very low at 2.5 kg per capita against the global average of 11 kg per capita. Aluminium being infinitely recyclable is referred as a green metal. If the consumption growth is moved up, it would be critical for India's industrial vision on achieving 25 per cent of the GDP from manufacturing by 2022, affirmed Abhijit Pati, CEO, Chhattisgarh-based Balco during the International Conference on Non-Ferrous Metals. The classification of aluminium as core industry been recommended by the NITI Aayog and ministry of mines, he added. The aluminium industry is said to have generated around 8 lakh jobs.

### Railway approves new grade of rails

Indian Railways approved a new grade of rails— 60E1 1175 Heat Treated (HT) — developed in Chhattisgarh for high-speed and high-axle load applications. Produced by JSPL at its Raigarh rail mill, the firm has also got compliance assent by the Research Designs and Standards Organisation (RDSO). Having embarked upon upgrading the track system to carry heavy-axle load at a speed of up to 200 km/hr, the Railways has projected the requirement of 1.8 lakh tonne new grade of such rails per annum. Earlier, all speciality rails were being imported in the country, JSPL officials said.

### Ethanol production from paddy

After the Centre's permission to produce bio-ethanol from paddy with the price being fixed at ₹54.87 per litre, the Chhattisgarh government will set up ethanol plants. CM Bhupesh Baghel sought an amendment to the Centre's recent decision so that Chhattisgarh can utilise its surplus paddy stock. The ethanol plants will use paddy and sugarcane as raw materials. Last year, the state had suggested the Centre to set up ethanol units using paddy husk for tackling the problem of stubble burning.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

I, the undersigned advocate submit on behalf of my client **Smt. Nanjamma and another** have filed the above petition for death certificate of **Pillappaiah @ Pillappa S/o. Late Muniyappa @ Urubagilu Muniyappa @ Muniga** was died on 15-10-1981 at Channahalli Village, Channarayapatna Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear of before the Civil Judge and J.M.F.C. Court at Devanahalli and **date of hearing on 05/12/2020, at 11-00 A.M. in C.Misc. No. 220/2020.**

**By Order of the Court,** Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
**N. VENKATESH, Advocate**

## PUBLIC NOTICE

It is bought to the notice of the general public that Sri. Ravilla Trinath S/o Sri. Kesavulu Naidu & Sri. Bomma Sreenivasulu Reddy S/o Sri. Bomma Subramanyam Reddy have filed a suit against Smt. Parvathi W/o Sri. Raju; M/s. Accent Homez & Sri. R Vinod Kumar seeking for specific performance of an agreement dated 19.06.2017 in respect apartments constructed over Property bearing No.355 & Form E Khatha No. 150200100000000620715, converted Sy. No. 11 (vide Conversion Order bearing No. ALN (ASH) SR:285/2013-14, dated 03.09.2014, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore), situated at Chikkanagamagala Village, Sarjapur Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, measuring to an extent of 11 Guntas and the said suit is numbered as OS. No. 588/2019 pending on the file of the Senior Civil Judge and JMFC, Anekal.

It is hereby brought to the kind notice of the general public that anyone dealing with the suit schedule properties in any manner whatsoever shall be doing so at their own risk and the plaintiffs in the above suit shall be indemnified of any loss attributed as against their share in the suit schedule properties and further any kind of transaction entered into by any person/s, entity, financial institution/s, banks etc on the suit schedule property mentioned in the plaint in OS. No. 588/2019 with any person/s or their agents, attorney holder/s etc representing either themselves in person shall be strictly subject to the provisions of the *lis pendens* under the purview of Section 52 of the Transfer of Property Act, 1882.

**VR VINAY KUMAR,** ADVOCATE
Office at No.258, 3rd Main Road,
Chamrajpete, Bangalore 560 018.
Contact 9620004423
PLACE: ANEKAL DATED: 03.11.2020

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public hereby notified that our client **Smt. S. Prema W/o. Sri. J.S. Subramani,** R/at. Thimmandahalli Village, Muthasandra Post, Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural district is the absolute owner and she is in peaceful possession and enjoyment of the property bearing Site No.16 and 17, Junger No.48, V.P. Khatha No.48/16 and 48/17 measuring East to West 80 feet and North to South 30 feet in total measuring 2400 square feet situated at Thimmandahalli Village, Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural district, presently comes under the limits of Muthasandra Gram Panchayath (hereinafter called as the Schedule Property) and she has lost/misplaced the Original Sale Deeds dated 30-11-2010, registered as document No.4117/2010-11 of Book I, stored in CD No.HSKD170 and Sale Deed dated 01-12-2010, registered as document No.4158/2010-11 of Book I, stored in CD No.HSKD170 both registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Hosakote, pertaining to the Schedule Property. In this connection, a complaint has also been lodged on 02-11-2020. We hereby call upon the General public if anyone is in custody or possession of the same or otherwise found the above said original documents, kindly handover to undersigned immediately/within **7 days** and they may be suitable awarded, and also we further bring into the notice of the general public that in case anyone dealing with the Schedule Property on the basis of the above said original documents, it shall not be binding on our client and the same will be an offence and they are liable to punish under the Criminal and Civil Law.

### SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of property bearing **Site No.16 and 17,** Junger No.48, V.P. Khatha No.48/16 and 48/17 measuring East to West 80 feet and North to South 30 feet in total measuring 2400 square feet situated at **Thimmandahalli Village, Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural district,** presently comes under the limits of Muthasandra Gram Panchayath and bounded on:

**EAST BY : Road;**
**WEST BY : Road;**
**NORTH BY : Road;**
**SOUTH BY : Site Nos.18 & 15;**

**KRISHNAMURTHY & BHATIA ADVOCATES**
No. 121/6, First Floor, OM COMPLEX,
BEHIND RAJ HOTEL, Cubbonpet Main Road
/ Avenue Road, Bangalore-560002.
Mob : 9740718436

## PUBLIC NOTICE

I hereby inform to the General Public that my client **Smt. Sasikala** D/o Late Veerabadran, aged about 27 years, R/a Gangadevanapalli, Andevanapalli, Krishnagiri, Tamilnadu-635107, presently camp at Bengaluru, informs that she has misplaced/lost the documents mentioned below and the same has not been traced since 29-09-2020 and informs to the police of the same on 28-10-2020.

Cheque leaves bearing 000017 in Saving Account No. 50100339984577 belong to HDFC Bank, Marathahalli Branch, Bengaluru.

The Cheque leaf was signed by my client and I hereby call upon the public if anyone finds the said document, kindly handover the same to the undersigned immediately.

I hereby call upon the general public to refrain from dealing with this cheque detailed above, as the same shall not be binding on my client.

**K.V & ASSOCIATES,** Advocates
No. 155, Krishnappa Compound,
Kavalbyrasandra, R.T. Nagar,
Bengaluru-560032. Dt. 02-11-2020.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

We are intend to purchase the property morefully described in the schedule hereunder from **SRI. R. GOVARDHAN,** S/o. Sri. D.M. Rajanna, residing at: No. 109, Govt. School Road, Near Water Tank, Jakkur, Bengaluru - 560 064, who is the absolute owner and in possession of the schedule property. If any person/s having any manner of right, title, interest, share or claim whatsoever over the schedule property may file their objections in writing to the undersigned, within **10 (TEN) DAYS** from the date of this publication, along with documentary proof after that, we treat that, have no claims / objections in respect of the schedule property.

### SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing **BDA Site No. 2671, 7th Block in Sy.No.57, Arkavathi Layout,** formed by the Bengaluru Development Authority, Bengaluru, **measuring East to West 9.00 meter, North to South 12.00 meter, totally measuring 108.00 Square Meters,** situated at: **Jakkur Village,** Yelahanka Taluk, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru District, and bounded on;

East by: Site No.2670; West by: Site No.2672;
North by: Road; South by: Site No.2710;

**Bandaru Nagaveni** and **Dasari Naresh**
Residing at: No. 23,
"Sri Lakshmi Venkateshwara Nilaya",
2nd Cross, Agro More Layout, Vijayanagar
2nd Stage, Bengaluru - 560 040.
Mobile No. 9916772112 / 9742733308

Government of Karnataka

## OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER

**RDW & S Division, Mysuru**

**Short Term Tender Notification No: 09/2020-21 Dated : 29.10.2020**

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka Items rate tenders (Two cover system) has been called for the following Tender works Under Rate Tender, as per Tender Documents and as per Karnataka transparency Act **G.O.No.FD9 PCL 2004 Dt. 06.08.2005** and as per recent amendments, Date of uploading Tender forms under e-procurement **Dt: 04.11.2020 10:00 AM** onwards, Last Date for submitting the filled Tender forms is **17.11.2020 upto 4.00 PM,** Pre-bid meeting dt: **06.11.2020.** Opening of Technical bid **19.11.2020, 05.00 PM** onwards, Opening of Financial bid after approval of Technical bid. Government registered Class 3 & 2 above Civil / Electrical as per **KW-3 & KW-4** tender documents are eligible to participate in the tender process for 10 Packages of tender works costed **Rs.1822.00 Lakhs** in H.D.Kote Taluk and for e-procurement support contact e-procurement Portal No.1/1 Sun Beam Building Eagle Street Long ford road, Long ford town Bangalore - 560025 Tel. Phone No 080 – 22485867, 080-22485927. For more details log on to **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** or contact the Officer under signed at office hours. Phone No.0821-2460 495.

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**Sd/-**
**Executive Engineer,**
**RDW&S, Division, Mysore**

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## Office of the Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing Government of Andhra Pradesh, Guntur, Amaravati

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List of pledges:-

BANGALORE, SANJIVINI NAGAR, 116070700032436, BHAGYA, 17000, DROPS & STUD 4, 3455, PUSHPALATHA R, 32000, CHAIN 1,FINGER RINGS 1, 4132, KALINGA RAJU, 30000, CHAIN 1, 4140, SURESHA, 17000, STUD 2, 4169, NAGARAJA D, 25000, CHAIN 1, 4176, SUNIL KUMAR B N, 14292, CHAIN 1, 4202, M JALAJAKSHI, 67500, NECKLACE 1, 4214, HARISH B, 8000, FINGER RINGS 1, 4223, MEENA, 21000, STUD 2, 4227, VARUN KUMA GS, 9000, STUD 2, 4267, VARALAKSHMI C, 35000, CHAIN 1, 4288, SUNIL KUMAR B N, 4900, DROPS 2, 4296, MUNIRATHNA C, 61300, DROPS & STUD 8, 4297, MUNIRATHNA C, 47700, DROPS 2,FINGER RINGS 2, 4319, CHANDRA KUMAR R, 11400, DROPS 2, 4327, GURUSIDDAMMA, 9330, STUD 2, 4336, M MANJULA, 93000, DROPS & STUD 10, 4338, M MANJULA, 37200, CHAIN 1,STUD 4, 4342, LOKESH K, 13800, DROPS & STUD 2, 4347, VITHAL DODDAMANI, 44572, CHAIN 1,FINGER RINGS 1, 4353, AMAR TIGASHETTY, 8600, FINGER RINGS 1, 4363, M MANJULA, 104500, NECKLACE 1, 116070730015400, NISHANTH RAO C, 12000, FINGER RINGS 1, 5605, SAGAR H, 24500, FINGER RINGS 1, 5671, DINESH K, 65240, CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 1, 5673, DINESH K, 14108, DROPS & STUD 2, 5775, MANJU S, 78000, DROPS & STUD 4,FINGER RINGS 4, 5833, VANISHRI A, 35880, DROPS & STUD 4,LOCKET 2,MATTI 2, 5933, ABHISHEK S, 65000, DROPS & STUD 4,FINGER RINGS 1, 5934, ABHISHEK S, 35000, BANGLE 1, 6175, SUMATHI, 13406, STUD 2, 6218, NAVEEN N B, 36393, FINGER RINGS 1,STUD 1, 6223, CHANDAN M, 17880, FINGER RINGS 1, MYSORE, 109380700025514, PRAKASH K, 10000, DROPS & STUD 2, 6394, SURESH K B, 104104, NECKLACE 1, 6412, ANKUSH S, 99000, DROPS & STUD 2,STUD 2, 6428, CHANDRASHEKAR M S, 24000, FINGER RINGS 1,STUD 2, 6438, MOHAN, 19700, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 3, 6450, RAMESH, 9000, FINGER RINGS 1, 6462, NANJUNDASWAMY, 24493, DROPS & STUD 2, 6483, SHWETHA, 21000, DROPS & STUD 1, 6493, ALBERT D SOUZA, 115000, NECKLACE 1, 6504, RAMESH, 13000, FINGER RINGS 1, 6552, RAMAKRISHNA J, 75000, CHAIN 1, 109380730006872, PONNAPPA C C, 63282, BROAD BANGLES 1,FINGER RINGS 2,NECKLACE 1, 7342, KIRAN R L, 12169, FINGER RINGS 1, 7504, MOHAMMAD IRFAN HUSAIN HUNDEKAR, 77868, BANGLE 2,DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 1,LOCKET 1, 9360, RAGHAVENDRA S, 4184, DROPS & STUD 2, 9415, SANGEETHA S, 13022, CHAIN 1, 9508, KIRAN KUMAR C, 30000, CHAIN 1,FINGER RINGS 1,STUD 2, 9643, SHILPA K P, 9126, FINGER RINGS 1, 9645, SHIVA KUMAR S, 167598, CHAIN 1, 9727, MAHESHKUMAR .B, 20000, FINGER RINGS 1, 9729, MAHESHKUMAR .B, 26000, FINGER RINGS 1, 9730, MAHESHKUMAR .B, 42000, CHAIN 1, 9817, JAGADEESHA A, 26517, FINGER RINGS 2, 9819, AJITH P, 17982, FINGER RINGS 3, 9820, AJITH P, 11783, STUD 2, BANGALORE, 133650700013639, REDDY SHEKAR P, 18000, FINGER RINGS 1,STUD 2, 4035, VENKATAREDDY, 42000, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 1, 4049, SHRIDHAR C, 155150, DROPS & STUD 2,NECKLACE 1, 4074, NITHYANANTHAM PALANISAMY, 23000, DROPS & STUD 2, 4080, RAMESH V, 74086, DROPS & STUD 2,NECKLACE 1, 133650730008755, VIJAYAKUMAR MANILAL, 11196, FINGER RINGS 1, 133650730011348, NANDINI L, 67697, BROAD BANGLES 1, 1384, BAVAJAAN, 22690, FINGER RINGS 2, 118050700013878, SALA UDDIN, 31035, FINGER RINGS 3,STUD 2, 4872, MANJUNATH K, 65093, CHAIN 1, 4890, BALASUNDARAN, 22641, CHAIN 1, 4891, SUDHARSHAN S R, 8000, STUD 2, 4892, RAVI S, 11000, U-DROPS 2, 4907, MANJULA, 8049, DROPS & STUD 2, 4908, MANJULA, 5000, MATTI 4, 4913, UMESH KUMAR SN, 34000, FINGER RINGS 2, 4914, UMESH KUMAR SN, 165165, DROPS & STUD 14, 4915, UMESH KUMAR SN, 174174, BANGLE 1,DROPS & STUD 2, 4916, UMESH KUMAR SN, 137137, NECKLACE 1, 4917, UMESH KUMAR SN, 69000, FINGER RINGS 1, 4918, UMESH KUMAR SN, 80000, NECKLACE 1, 4919, UMESH KUMAR SN, 95000, BABY BANGLES 2,CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 2, 4920, UMESH KUMAR SN, 149149, CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 10,FINGER RINGS 2, 4921, UMESH KUMAR SN, 80000, CHAIN 1, 4983, RAMESH S, 126300, NECKLACE 1, 4987, S A MANJUNATHA, 11604, FINGER RINGS 1, 5017, THOOYAVAN M, 36550, FINGER RINGS 1, 5019, SRIDHAR V, 90562, NECKLACE 1, 118050730007726, RAJESH C V, 33918, CHAIN 1, 7727, RAJESH C V, 408513, BABY BANGLES 6,BANGLE 3,BRACELET 1,CHAIN 5,DROPS & STUD 4,FINGER RINGS 2,NECKLACE 1, 7790, DHANANJAYA REDDY V K, 25516, U-DROPS & STUD 2, 7791, DHANANJAYA REDDY V K, 12935, FINGER RINGS 1,STUD 2, 7847, RAVI, 22360, DROPS & STUD 2, 110180700020341, MUCKTHIYAR ALI S, 16000, CHAIN 1, 0437, AVINASH NAGLE H, 4403, FINGER RINGS 1, 0672, D NAVANEETH, 56866, CHAIN 1, 0985, MAHAMED TANVEER, 11470, FINGER RINGS 1, 1008, MEENA, 99999, BANGLE 1,DROPS & STUD 6,FINGER RINGS 4,LOCKET 1, 1027, FAIROZ KHAN, 28756, FINGER RINGS 2,MATTI 1,STUD 2, 1051, KANNAPANE MAMMUNJI, 40000, CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 2, 1259, AARUN KUMAR, 19000, CHAIN 1,FINGER RINGS 1, 1274, ASHOK KUMAR SHARMA, 29000, CHAIN 1, 1350, MOHAMMED MUZAMMIL, 40000, BANGLE 1, 1403, VIMALA P, 18000, CHAIN 2, 1405, ASHOK KUMAR SHARMA, 120120, BANGLE 2,FINGER RINGS 1, 1407, SHASHIKALA M K, 11000, CHAIN 2, 1421, VELU S, 12000, STUD 2, 1424, SHASHIKALA M K, 12500, STUD 2, 1433, REHANA, 12200, DROPS & STUD 2, 110180730005674, RAMESH K, 44720, MATTI 4, 5696, TOUSIF UR RAHMAN KHAN, 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1,DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 1,NECKLACE 1, 7981, MANOHAR K, 936000, BANGLE 12,BROAD BANGLES 8, 7983, SINDHU T, 289500, DROPS & STUD 4,NECKLACE 1, 7984, SINDHU T, 245000, CHAIN 2, 7985, SINDHU T, 167000, LOCKET 2, 7986, MAHAMMAD SAAHIL AHMED, 531600, DROPS & STUD 2,NECKLACE 1, 8003, MOHAMMED RAFI, 14913, DROPS 2, 8024, ROOPESH RAO, 40435, CHAIN 1, 8046, LAKSHMI, 80000, CHAIN 1, 8047, VIGNESH A, 49570, BRACELET 1, 108710730017260, ROSHAN JAMIR, 787870, DROPS & STUD 2,NECKLACE 3, 7261, ROSHAN JAMIR, 172141, BANGLE 4, 7496, ARUNAA, 6180, STUD 2, 7498, ARUNAA, 23190, DROPS & STUD 2, 7500, ARUNAA, 6440, STUD 2, 7745, ROSHAN JAMIR, 290741, BROAD BANGLES 6, 7746, ROSHAN JAMIR, 82368, CHAIN 1,FINGER RINGS 2, 7747, THIRUVENGADAM, 316840, BANGLE 4,NECKLACE 1, 7748, ROSHAN JAMIR, 80559, BANGLE 1, 7749, ROSHAN JAMIR, 38169, LOCKET 1, 7751, ROSHAN JAMIR, 107097, CHAIN 1,FINGER RINGS 2, 7752, ROSHAN JAMIR, 229203, NECKLACE 1, 7753, THIRUVENGADAM, 82330, DROPS & STUD 2, 7754, ROSHAN JAMIR, 178260, 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GEETHANJALI, 311485, BROAD BANGLES 4,CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 13,FINGER RINGS 2,NECKLACE 1, 4524, S UMASHANKAR, 35601, DROPS & STUD 4,FINGER RINGS 1, 4549, KRISHNA, 112112, CHAIN 2,FINGER RINGS 1, 4554, SATHYANARAYANA, 193000, BRACELET 1,BROAD BANGLES 4, 100700730014202, NAZIYA BI, 3846, FINGER RINGS 1, 6355, TABASSUM SULTHANA H, 24328, DROPS & STUD 2,EAR RINGS 2, 6788, P V NARENDRA KUMAR, 47258, CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 2, 100700730020387, LOKESH K, 12400, DROPS 2, 1046, CHANDRASHEKAR K, 19400, FINGER RINGS 1, 1718, SYED ISMAIL, 74162, DROPS & STUD 1,FINGER RINGS 2, 1722, SHAIK USMAN, 41762, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 1,STUD 4, 1734, PALANGAPPA A P, 9232, CHAIN 1, 120700700021251, RUTHVIK R, 35500, FINGER RINGS 1, 1350, RUTHVIK R, 36000, FINGER RINGS 1, 2116, MITHUNA J, 22000, FINGER RINGS 1,STUD 2, 2135, JAGADEESHWAR RAO S, 4600, STUD 2, 2201, SHIVARANJAN A R, 32800, CHAIN 1, 2248, NARASIMHAMURTHY N L, 35500, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 3, 2291, MANU, 10915, FINGER RINGS 1, 120700730014137, KAPILA PUROHIT, 9802, CHAIN 1, 4138, KAPILA PUROHIT, 9025, STUD 2, MYSORE, 109320700026638, U K MOHAN KUMAR, 40122, CHAIN 1, 6983, NAVEEN V, 8456, DROPS & STUD 2, 6984, NAGESHA B.L, 62085, BRACELET 1,FINGER RINGS 1, 6999, NINGARAJU A, 9000, DROPS & STUD 2, 7007, SHIVA KUMARM, 75739, CHAIN 1, 7012, BASAVARAJANAIK . 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RAMACHANDRA NAIK, 13000, FINGER RINGS 1, 4806, SHASHIDHAR, 20500, FINGER RINGS 2, 5065, PARASHURAMANAYKA, 37500, DROPS & STUD 2,STUD 4, 5539, P NIRANJANA, 62000, CHAIN 1, 5547, GOPAL REDDY, 55000, CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 2,STUD 2, 5573, SHAKEEL UNNISA, 30000, FINGER RINGS 2, 5574, SHAKEEL UNNISA, 50000, CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 2, 5578, SHAKEEL UNNISA, 7800, FINGER RINGS 1, 5607, NATARAJU, 20271, STUD 2, 5617, SHAKEEL UNNISA, 24000, CHAIN 1, 5647, SIDDA GANGAIAH, 20000, FINGER RINGS 2, 5743, DEVARAJU, 13636, FINGER RINGS 1, 5744, DEVARAJU, 15415, STUD 2, 5785, ANAND K H, 30000, FINGER RINGS 1, 5817, BALAMERY, 16800, DROPS & STUD 2, 5828, GOVINDARAJU K S, 15000, DROPS & STUD 2, 5851, T G LOKESH, 15000, FINGER RINGS 1, 5870, DEVARAJU G, 49000, CHAIN 1, 5884, YOGEESH T N, 40000, DROPS & STUD 2, 5888, ANAND K H, 24000, DROPS & STUD 2, 5891, SIDDESH J C, 197696, CHAIN 3, 5937, LAKSHMANA G, 12900, STUD 2, 5941, KIRAN GOWDA T S, 18000, CHAIN 1, 130080730010136, PRASHANTH N, 7665, DROPS & STUD 2, 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FINGER RINGS 1, 1616, NARASIHAMURTHY B, 8000, DROPS & STUD 2, 1632, DEVARAJU, 15000, DROPS & STUD 2, 1633, SADDMA HUSEN, 9000, LOCKET 1,STUD 2, 1635, RAVIKUMAR N, 15000, FINGER RINGS 1, 1636, SUVARNAMMA, 20365, STUD 4, 1671, RAGUVEERACHAR, 15000, DROPS & STUD 1, 1691, CHANDREGOWDA, 12000, DROPS & STUD 2, 1698, MOHAN M R, 23300, DROPS & STUD 6, 1708, RANGANATHAPPA, 22000, DROPS & STUD 2, 1736, KENCHANNA, 15000, FINGER RINGS 1, 1743, HANUMANTHAPPA, 8000, STUD 2, 1819, NARASIHAMURTHY B, 9600, DROPS & STUD 2, 1857, JAMEEL, 60000, DROPS & STUD 8,FINGER RINGS 1, 1859, MOHAMED VIKRAM PASHA, 7000, FINGER RINGS 1, 1886, HEMANTH B, 78800, NECKLACE 1, 1893, SUDHA M, 13200, STUD 2, 1928, MANJUNATHA K P, 14000, DROPS & STUD 2, 1929, LAKSHMINARAYANAPPA, 30000, CHAIN 1, 1931, LAKSHMINARAYANAPPA, 10000, DROPS 2, 1936, HEMANTH KUMAR R, 15000, DROPS & STUD 2, 1941, JAYARAMAIAH, 13000, DROPS & STUD 2, 126550730005368, KUMAR, 21210, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 1, 6820, RAJANNA, 29012, DROPS & STUD 6, 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# Trump threatens legal action to stop vote count in swing states

Mercurial president injects uncertainty into election process; Biden's poll advantage narrows

**PHILADELPHIA**

US President Donald Trump and challenger Joe Biden have one last chance to make their case to voters in critical battleground states on Monday, the final full day of a campaign that has laid bare their dramatically different visions for tackling the nation's pressing problems and for the office of the presidency itself.

The candidates are seeking to lead a nation gripped by a pandemic that is raging in nearly every corner of the country and a reckoning over race. Both campaigns insist they have a pathway to victory, though Biden's options for picking up the required 270 Electoral College votes are more plentiful. Trump is banking on a surge of enthusiasm from his most loyal supporters while also threatening legal action to stop vote counting in some crucial states, including Pennsylvania.

In the starkest terms yet, Trump on Sunday threatened litigation to stop the tabulation of ballots arriving after Election Day. As soon as polls closed in battlegrounds such as Pennsylvania, Trump said, "we're going in with our lawyers."

US President Donald Trump (L) and Democratic presidential candidate Joe Biden | AP

**TRUMP VOTERS BEING UNDERCOUNTED IN POLLS**

Trump pulled of a big election upset in 2016 when he won in states that polls said he would lose. Many in the US are wondering if that will happen again this year. The Trafalgar Group, a pollster who accurately predicted the 2016 election, says Trump actually has a lead over Biden and that people who wish to vote for the Republican president are lying to pollsters because they don't want the negative association. Even Michael Moore, the famous left-wing filmmaker, says that Trump voters are being massively undercounted. Moore says Trump voters are likely to lie to polling companies because of their fears of the "deep state".

It was unclear precisely what Trump meant. There is already an appeal pending at the Supreme Court over the counting of absentee ballots in Pennsylvania that are received in the mail in the three days after the election.

The state's top court ordered the extension and the Supreme Court refused to block it, though conservative justices expressed interest in taking up the propriety of the three added days after the election. Those ballots are being kept separate in case the litigation goes forward. The issue could assume enormous importance if the late-arriving ballots could tip the outcome.

Under the shadow of possible legal battles, Pennsylvania loomed as most important battleground.

The *Axios* reported that Trump has told confidants he will declare victory right away if it looked like he was ahead.

**'Fire Fauci'**

Trump is suggesting that he will fire Dr. Anthony Fauci after Tuesday's election, as his rift with the nation's top infectious disease expert widens.

Speaking at a campaign rally in Florida, Trump expressed frustration that the surging cases of the virus that has killed more than 231,000 people in the US remains prominent in the news, sparking chants of "Fire Fauci" from his supporters. "Don't tell anybody but let me wait until a little bit after the election," Trump replied to thousands of supporters early Monday, adding he appreciated their "advice."

It's the most direct Trump has been in suggesting he was serious about trying to remove Fauci from his position. He has previously expressed that he was concerned about the political blowback of removing the popular doctor. *AP*

## *Legal armies prepare for election result being contested in court*

- Signature matches
- Late-arriving absentee votes
- Drop boxes
- Secrecy envelopes

Democratic and Republican lawyers already have gone to court over these issues in the run-up to Tuesday's election



**1000s**
Both sides say they're ready, with thousands of lawyers on standby to march into court to make sure ballots get counted, or excluded.

**300**
lawsuits already have been filed over the election in dozens of states across the country, many involving changes to normal procedures because of the coronavirus pandemic

**2000**
Since the 2000 presidential election, which was ultimately decided by the Supreme Court, both parties have enlisted legal teams to prepare for the unlikely event that voting wouldn't settle the contest

But this year, there is a near presumption that legal fights will ensue and that only a definitive outcome is likely to forestall them

**ABSENTEE BALLOTING**

Most of the legal challenges are likely to stem from the huge increase in absentee balloting

In Pennsylvania, officials won't start processing those ballots until Election Day, and some counties have said they won't begin counting those votes until the following day

## When will you get to know the election result?

**NEW YORK**

WE may not know who won the presidential election on early Wednesday morning (IST) as scheduled. And if so, it does not necessarily mean anything is broken, fraudulent, corrupted or wrong.

The biggest factor that may slow things down this year is clear: Millions of Americans decided to vote by mail rather than risk contracting coronavirus at a polling place. And in general, those mail ballots take longer to count.

Also, It's just not physically possible to instantly count that many ballots — possibly as many as 150 million on the night of Nov. 3.

Media organisations, including The Associated Press, declare winners in thousands of races on election night based on the results that are in, voter surveys and other data. But in a close race, more of the vote may need to be counted before the AP can call a winner. Experts say the counting in battleground states such as Florida may be delayed. *AP*

Johnny Depp (L) and Amber Heard, his ex-wife | AP

## Johnny Depp loses 'wife beater' claims case in UK

**LONDON**

HOLLYWOOD star Johnny Depp on Monday lost a libel lawsuit against British newspaper The Sun for branding him a "wife beater" in a case that laid bare his chaotic battle with drink and drugs and shattered his reputation.

Judge Andrew Nicol dismissed the 57-year-old "Pirates of the Caribbean" star's claim at the High Court in London, saying the article had been proven to be "substantially true".

The Sun welcomed the ruling, as did campaigners against violence towards women, saying it had "stood up and campaigned for the victims of domestic violence for over 20 years".

"Domestic abuse victims must never be silenced and we thank the judge for his careful consideration and thank Amber Heard for her courage in giving evidence to the court," it added.

But Depp's lawyers called the judgement "as perverse as it is bewildering", arguing the court had disregarded a "mountain of counter-evidence" that "completely undermined" the claims.

"The judgement is so flawed that it would be ridiculous for Mr Depp not to appeal this decision," said Jenny Afia, partner at law firm Schillings.

Depp sued the tabloid's publishers News Group Newspapers Ltd (NGN) and the author of the article over claims he was violent to actress and model Heard, 34, during their volatile two-year marriage.

The case was dubbed "the biggest English libel trial of the 21st century" and the legal odds had appeared to be stacked in Depp's favour.

England's ancient defamation law puts the burden of proof on the media and remains one of the strictest in the Western world.

But NGN relied on the defence of truth, arguing it had a valid basis for the 2018 story by detailing 14 alleged instances of Depp abusing Heard. The judge said he found 12 of the alleged incidents did occur. *AFP*

## Glitches let banned FB election ads recirculate

**WASHINGTON**

FACEBOOK on Monday acknowledged glitches in enforcing its policy on removing misleading political advertising for the US election after a report revealed banned messages were being recirculated.

The social media giant, which has faced intense scrutiny over its handling of political misinformation, said it took action after a media report showing loopholes allowing activist groups to repost ads that had been banned after third-party fact checks.

The Wall Street Journal report said some ads supporting President Donald Trump and containing false claims about Democrat Joe Biden had been reposted and shared by a conservative group after the original messages were blocked.

Facebook began removing the reposted ads after the Journal report over the weekend.

"When a fact-checker applies a rating, we apply a label and demote it while also rejecting it as an ad -- this is true for all ratings," a FB spokesperson said. "We reviewed these ads and are taking action on those that violate our policies, while also working to improve how we find similar ads to those that were already rated."

The Journal said the ads were being run by the American Principles Project, a conservative group, and contained false claims that Biden supports the far-left Antifa movement and backs sex change operations for children.

Last week, Facebook saw a rocky start to its effort to ban new political messages a week ahead of the Nov 3 poll. *AFP*

## ASIA MATTERS

**BANGLADESH**

**Hindu homes attacked over Facebook posts**

Some radical Islamists vandalised and set on fire the houses of several Hindu families in Bangladesh's Comilla district over rumours about an alleged Facebook post slandering Islam, prompting authorities to order stern punitive actions against the culprits, officials said on Monday. The households were vandalised and later set on fire on Sunday after a Bangladeshi man, who lives in France, allegedly praised President Emmanuel Macron for taking steps against "inhumane ideologies" after a teacher in Paris was decapitated for showing caricatures of the Prophet. The headmaster of a KG school in Purbo Dhour and another person reportedly shared his comments welcoming Macron's action in a comment on the post, which was spread online with the claim that the headmaster supported caricatures of the Prophet.

**PAKISTAN**

**Mega 'CPEC City' project in Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa**

Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan will launch work on a mega city development project under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) in Rashakai town of Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa province on Nov 18, as per a media report. Federal Minister for Defence Pervez Khattak announced that the prime minister would launch the 'CPEC City' project while addressing a public meeting in Abakhel, Nowshera Kalaan on Sunday, the Geo News reported. "The city will will consist of education and commercial zones, public buildings, apartments, golf course, theme park and sports facilities," the minister said.

**MYANMAR**

**'Buddhist Bin Laden' surrenders after 18 months on the run**

A hardline Buddhist monk turned himself in Monday after 18 months on the run -- and less than a week before Myanmar's national elections -- a move analysts described as a bid to "influence" the vote. Once dubbed by Time magazine as the "Buddhist Bin Laden" for his role in stirring up religious hatred in the Buddhist-majority nation, Ashin Wirathu has been on the run since police issued an arrest warrant in May last year. The 52-year-old has long been known for his nationalist anti-Islamic rhetoric -- particularly against the stateless Rohingya Muslim community. But it was his outbursts against civilian leader Aung San Suu Kyi and her government last year that prompted the arrest warrant for sedition. Suu Kyi's NLD party is expected to be returned to power in the Nov 8 polls.

## Johnson making Tories 'miserable'

**LONDON**

PM Boris Johnson is facing opposition from his own party as he prepares to ask British lawmakers to back plans for a second national lockdown to combat the exponential spread of COVID-19.

Johnson will on Monday provide the House of Commons with details of a proposed four-week lockdown in England that is set to begin Thursday. The plan was hurriedly announced Saturday after scientific advisers told the government rapidly rising infection rates risked swamping hospitals in a matter of weeks.

The PM is facing opposition from some members of his own party who say the lockdown will cost jobs and infringe on human rights. Senior ministers are fighting with each other Conservative MPs are forming large pressure groups to lobby Johnson. "It is bloody miserable for everyone," a senior minister told Bloomberg.

Graham Brady, chairman of an influential committee of Conservative lawmakers, acknowledged the suffering caused by Covid-19 but said the government must also consider the impact that restrictions have on the economy and mental health.

"If these kinds of measures were being taken in any totalitarian country around the world, we would be decrying it as a form of evil, and here the removal of people's fundamental liberties is going almost without comment," Brady told the *BBC*. *Agencies*

A skeleton and a sign with the inscription "Closed" hang in the door of a closed shop in Berlin | AP

## Germany, rest of hard-hit EU go into lockdown

**BERLIN**

SEVERAL European countries are tightening restrictions this week, starting with a partial shutdown Monday in Germany, as authorities across the continent scramble to slow a rapid rise in virus infections that threatens to overwhelm health care systems.

Britain and Austria will follow suit later in the week, closing restaurants, bars and many leisure activities. Italy, Greece and Kosovo also announced new measures. In some places, the new rules — which vary in strictness — are prompting violent protests by people frustrated at once again having to forgo freedoms.

But in many, experts are saying they should have come weeks ago — a reflection of the increasingly difficult balance many countries are struggling to strike between controlling the virus and boosting already damaged economies.

Overall, Europe has seen more than 270,000 confirmed virus-related deaths, as per a John Hopkins tally. *AP*

**EXPRESS READ**

### Ed Snowden seeks to be dual US-Russian citizen

Fugitive US whistleblower Edward Snowden said Monday he had applied for Russian citizenship but would keep his US nationality. The former American intelligence contractor, who revealed in 2013 that the US government was spying on its citizens, has been living in exile in Russia since the revelations. Snowden's tweet comes weeks after he was granted permanent residency in the country, and just days after his partner Lindsay Mills announced she was pregnant.

**TRUTH TO POWER**

## *Robert Fisk, renowned for war reporting, dies at 74*

**BEIRUT**

Veteran British journalist Robert Fisk, one of the best-known West Asian correspondents who spent his career reporting from the troubled region and won accolades for challenging mainstream narratives has died after a short illness, his employer said Monday. He was 74.

Fisk, whose reporting often sparked controversy, died Sunday at a hospital in Dublin, shortly after he was taken there after falling ill at his home in the Irish capital. The London Independent, where he had worked since 1989, described him as the most celebrated journalist of his era.

"Fearless, uncompromising, determined and utterly committed to uncovering the truth and reality at all costs, Robert Fisk was the greatest journalist of his generation," said Christian Broughton, managing director of the newspaper.

Born in Kent, in the UK, Fisk began his career on Fleet Street at the Sunday Express. He went on to work for The Times, where he was based in N. Ireland, Portugal and West Asia. He moved to Beirut in 1976, a year after the country's civil war broke out, and continued to work and live from an apartment located on the Lebanese capital's famed Mediterranean corniche until his death.

From his base in Beirut, Fisk traveled across the Mideast and beyond, covering almost every big story in the region, including the Lebanon war, the Iran-Iraq war, the Arab-Israeli conflict, the war in Algeria, the conflict in Afghanistan, Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait, the US invasion and occupation of Iraq, the Arab Spring and Syria's civil war.

Robert Fisk in the December of 2001, when he was assaulted by a Pakistani mob in Quetta | AP

A fearless, bespectacled and cheerful personality bristling with energy, Fisk was often the first reporter to arrive at the scene of a story. He shunned e-mail, smart phones and social media, and strongly believed in the power of street reporting.

He was one of the few journalists who interviewed Osama bin Laden several times.

Fisk gained fame and popularity in West Asia for his opposition to the Iraq war - challenging the official US government narrative of weapons of mass destruction as it laid the groundwork for the 2003 invasion. *AP*

### Nigel Farage launches anti-lockdown party

London: Nigel Farage, the driving force behind Brexit, was on Monday set to relaunch his political party as "Reform UK", with a main focus to oppose the government's coronavirus lockdowns. The former leader of the UK Independence Party

launched the Brexit Party 21 months ago to increase pressure on the government of then-PM Theresa May to deliver Brexit. With Britain having left the European Union in January, the party retreated into the shadows, but the government's handling of the pandemic and the imposition of a second lockdown has spurred Farage to relaunch his party.

**Market Watch**

| MARKET | | | GOLD | | | SILVER | | | FOREX | | |
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| 143.51 ▲ | Sensex | 39,757.5 | ₹3 ▲ | 24 carat (1 gm) | ₹5,099 | ₹1,600 ▲ | Per kg | ₹61,700 | ▲ Dollar | 74.42 |
| 26.75 ▲ | Nifty | 11,669.15 | ₹2 ▲ | 22 carat (1 gm) | ₹4,998 | ₹1.60 ▲ | Per gm | ₹61.7 | ▼ Euro | 86.57 |

# Centre extends emergency credit scheme till Nov

An extension will aid borrowers who have not availed of the scheme so far, said FinMin

**ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU** @ New Delhi

THE Centre on Monday extended the Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS) by a month till November 30 as the scheme has so far failed to meet the target of ₹3 lakh crore.

The scheme, launched as part of the Atma Nirbhar Bharat Abhiyan package, was announced by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in May to mitigate the distress caused by Covid 19-induced lockdown, by providing credit to different sectors, especially micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) which were the worst hit during the nationwide lockdown.

The scheme was valid till October. However, the government has been able to disburse less than half of the corpus at ₹1.48 lakh crore despite an aggressive push by the finance ministry, and even after expanding the ambit of the scheme.

"The scheme has been extended till November 30 or till such time that an amount of ₹3 lakh crore is sanctioned under the scheme, whichever is earlier, " the Finance Ministry said in a statement. It added that the extension was given in view of the expected increase in demand during the ongoing festive season. "This extension will provide a further opportunity to such borrowers who have not availed of the scheme so far, to obtain credit under the scheme," it noted.

Under the scheme, fully guaranteed and collateral-free additional credit to MSMEs, business enterprises, individual loans for business purposes, and MUDRA borrowers is provided to the extent of 20 percent of their credit outstanding as on February 29, 2020. Borrowers with a credit outstanding up to ₹50 crore as on February 29, and with an annual turnover of up to ₹250 crore are eligible under the scheme.

> **The scheme has been extended till November 30 or till such time that an amount of ₹3 lakh crore is sanctioned under the scheme, whichever is earlier. The extension was given in view of increased demand**
>
> Official statement

Interest rates under the scheme are capped at 9.25 per cent for banks and financial institutions (FIs), and 14 percent for non-banking financial companies (NBFCs). Tenor of loans provided under the scheme is four years, including a moratorium of one year on principal repayment.

On August 1, the government widened the scope of the ₹3 lakh crore-ECLGS scheme by doubling the upper ceiling of loans outstanding and including certain loans given to professionals like doctors, lawyers and chartered accountants for business purposes under its ambit.

A ₹30,000-crore special liquidity scheme was closed on the due date as even less than a quarter of funds were disbursed to stressed NBFCs.

# Deadline for opening current accounts deferred

**JAYANTA ROY CHOWDHURY**
@ New Delhi

THE Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on Monday extended the deadline given to banks on its fiat that current accounts of firms with more than ₹50 crore in debt must be with lending bankers, after hectic lobbying by MNC banks which were affected by the new guidelines set to kick in from Thursday. The banks have been given time till December 15 to comply with the new norms.

Usually most large Indian corporates would borrow from state-run banks but would operate current accounts with MNC banks who gave better terms and services. Often money flowed from these accounts would go not towards paying back loans but for other purposes.

In a bid to stop that practise, the RBI had come up with guidelines which said a bank opening a dedicated current account of any company with Rs 50 crore or more in debt must have lent at least 10 per cent of the borrowings of the firm. The new rules led to a furore as MNC banks were likely to be hit with current account business worth tens of thousands of crores lost to PSU banks. Diplomatic missions and chambers of commerce interceded with the government on behalf of the aggrieved bankers and a lobbying war erupted in the corridors of North Block.

**RBI working on FAQs to address existing issues**

The central bank said it has received several references from banks seeking clarifications on operational issues regarding maintenance of current accounts already opened by banks. These references are being examined.

Several top bankers had suggested that some leeway should be made as the strict implementation of the rule set forth by the RBI. "Certain pay-outs by a company such as payment of dividend could be separated from this rule and allowed to be done from current accounts held with banks which have not lent to the companies in question," said Sanjay Bhattacharyya, former managing Director, State bank of India.

"...Several references from banks seeking clarifications on operational issues regarding maintenance of current accounts already opened by the banks are being examined by the Reserve Bank," the central banker said, adding it would soon come out with a set of FAQs clarifying issues regarding these current accounts.

# Manipal Hospitals to acquire Columbia Asia

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE**
@Bengaluru

MANIPAL Hospitals on Monday announced its intent to acquire 100% stake in Columbia Asia Hospitals Private Limited (Columbia Asia). The transfer of ownership to Manipal Hospitals is expected to be completed post regulatory approvals.

Columbia Asia Hospitals commenced operations in India in 2005 in Hebbal, Bengaluru, and presently operates 11 hospitals across the country in Bengaluru, Mysuru, Kolkata, Gurugram, Ghaziabad, Patiala and Pune. The network comprises over 1,300 beds, 1,200 clinicians and 4,000 employees. Together, the combined entity will have 27 hospitals

across 15 cities with over 7,200 beds, and a talented pool of over 4,000-plus doctors and 10,000-plus employees. Treating over 4 million patients annually, it would rank amongst the largest healthcare provider networks in the country.

Dr Ranjan Pai, Chairman, Manipal Education and Medical Group (MEMG), said, "We are very pleased to welcome Columbia Asia Hospitals to

the Manipal family, and proudly acknowledge their outstanding track record of healthcare delivery of a very high standard over the years. Columbia Asia makes a compelling strategic fit to our core values of clinical excellence, patient centricity and ethical practices, and will help us advance our commitment to provide outstanding patient care."

Dan Baty, chairman, Columbia Pacific Management, said, "From day one, we focused on building a culture of putting the patient first, to deliver the highest quality healthcare with integrity and exceptional service. This combination of Columbia Asia and Manipal Hospitals is very exciting because of the strong cultural alignment between the two companies – and the opportunity it provides for continued growth."

**TODAY'S STOCK PICK**

**PI INDUSTRIES**

**Current Price** ₹2,228.7

**Target Price** ₹2,611

We believe PI has levers in place to sustain growth momentum in the near term, led by ramp-up in operations of two multi-purpose plants that have recently commenced, revenue from the Isagro acquisition, (c) sustained growth momentum in the CSM business. We expect revenue/EBITDA/PAT CAGR of 25%/31%/39% over FY20-23E.

— Motilal Oswal Securities Limited

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**SAYS FUTURE**

# 'Amazon made no open offer to buy stakes'

**ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU** @ Bengaluru

E-COMMERCE major Amazon did not make any open offer to buy stakes in Future Retail Limited (FRL) in 2019, when it acquired a 49 per cent stake in one of its group firms Future Coupons Private Limited (FCPL), FRL informed stock exchanges in a filing adding "that the contention raised by Amazon is entirely misconceived." The Kishore Biyani-led retail firm added that there was no change in the control of the FRL in favour of Amazon in 2019 if at all an open offer was made.

Last year, the US based e-commerce firm acquired a 49% stake in Future Coupons (FCPL) by investing ₹1,500 crore. However, FCPL later went on to acquire a 7.5 per cent of the Future Retail (FRL) through the issue of 3.96 million warrants at a price of Rs 505 per warrant aimed to infuse nearly ₹2,000 crore in FRL which was challenged with rising debt concerns. Amazon's investment was thought of as a strategic move to get an indirect equity stake in FRL to be able to strengthen its e-commerce business by selling the FRL products on its platform.

Meanwhile, FRL said that the emergency arbitrator in Singapore has overlooked the Indian firm's assertion regarding the two separate agreements signed in 2019 and that emergency order passed by a single member arbitration panel is in violation of the SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011." Given that the EA Order is premised on violation of SEBI Regulations it cannot and ought not to be accorded any sanctity by SEBI, NSE and BSE," FRL said. It noted that the EA Order is not enforceable under the provisions of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 and is not binding on FRL.

# Govt to transfer second tranche of ₹6,000 cr to 16 states, three UTs

**ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU** @ New Delhi

THE Centre on Monday released an amount of ₹6,000 crore as a second tranche to states as their GST compensation cess shortfall under a special borrowing window. The second tranche will be released to 16 States and three union territories, the Finance Ministry said in a statement.

The states that have received GST compensation are Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Meghalaya, Odisha, Tamil Nadu, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand. The same has been handed over to two union territories (UTs), including Delhi and Jammu and Kashmir.

According to the Finance Ministry, the borrowed amount will be transferred to the states as "back-to-back loan in lieu of GST compensation cess".

On October 23, the government had transferred the first tranche of ₹6,000 crore to these states and UTs to bridge the Goods and Services Tax (GST) revenue shortfall. With this, the government has facilitated total loans of ₹12,000 crore till date under the special window programme. So far, 21 states and three UTs have opted for this special window involving back-to-back borrowing coordinated by the Ministry of Finance.

The facilities available to the states who choose Option-1 inter-alia include permission to borrow the final instalment of 0.5 per cent of GSDP out of the 2 per cent additional borrowings permitted by the government in view of the COVID pandemic, waiving the reforms condition.

The government will borrow ₹1.1 lakh crore under the special window, the finance ministry earlier stated . Total shortfall in GST collection is estimated at ₹2.35 lakh crore , of which ₹1.1 lakh crore is on account of GST shortfall.

# 'Collection efficiency to be near normal in 90 days'

**ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU** @ New Delhi

PRIVATE lender Bandhan Bank on Monday said that its overall collection efficiency in value terms has seen a steady improvement since the Covid-19 outbreak to reach 92 per cent at the end of September.

Even small businesses, which are the most vulnerable segment hit by the pandemic, have been able to repay with the collection efficiency for its micro credit vertical improving to 89 per cent for September and 91 per cent in October, the lender added. "Collections have seen a steady improvement month-on-month and are expected to reach near normal in the next 90 days. We now look forward to accelerating the business in the second half of FY21," said Managing Director and CEO Chandra Shekhar Ghosh. In case of non-microbanking credit, collection efficiency has improved for SME and NBFC lending, while for mortgage lending it rose to 98 per cent in September from 77 per cent in July.

Given that the lender made provisions towards Covid-19 risks in the September quarter as well, net profit fell 5.3 per cent at ₹920 crore as compared with ₹971.8 crore in the year ago period. The Kolkata-based lender took accelerated additional provision on standard advances amounting to ₹300 crore. With this provision and the additional standard assets provision that the bank is carrying in micro banking portfolio, total additional provision in books stands at ₹2,096 crore, it said. According to the bank's chief financial officer Sunil Samdani, however, there may not be any "material need for additional provision" in the next two quarters as the bank expects the repayment trend to improve further.

Gross non-performing assets slumped to 1.2 per cent (₹874 crore) of gross advances as of September 30, 2020 as against 1.8 per cent a year ago. Net NPAs, too, improved.

**PNB Q2 NET PROFIT JUMPS 22% TO ₹621 CR**

State-run Punjab National Bank (PNB) on Monday reported a 22 per cent jump in net profit to ₹620.81 crore for the quarter-ended September 30, compared to a net profit of ₹507.05 crore during the same period last year, on the back of improvements in asset quality. The performance was a more than 100 per cent quarterly increase from the plunge in net profits to ₹308 crore during the April-June quarter. The bank's total income during the July-September quarter rose to ₹23,438.56 crore as against ₹15,556.61 crore in the corresponding quarter last year. Gross NPAs accounted for 13.43 per cent of the gross advances at the end of Sept as against 14.11 per cent in the June quarter.

# Five coal mines taken in first day of auction

**ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU** @ New Delhi

INDIA's first auction of coal mines for commercial sale began Monday under which five mines were bid out.

Vedanta has bid highest at 21 per cent revenue sharing for the big coal mine on offer — Radhikhapur West in Odisha which has reserves of about 312 million tonnes. Hindalco has bid highest for Chakla coal mine at 14.25 per cent revenue sharing, followed by JMS mining bidding highest for Urban Coal mine and Aurobindo Realty has bid 30.76 per cent for Takli (North & South) mines.

In all the mines auctioned, the final offer received was above 10 per cent, indicating a robust demand, said a coal ministry official. Bidding for the MarkiMangli II coal mine in Maharashtra, the auction of which was opposed by the state government on environmental grounds, went on for longer than the rest, according to the officials. The next auction is scheduled on November 9 when the Centre plans to put another 19 mines on offer.

# L&T bags another construction order of bullet train project worth ₹7,000 cr

**ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU** @ New Delhi

LARSEN and Toubro (L&T) has emerged as the lowest bidder for the C6 package of the Mumbai-Ahmedabad High Speed Rail project, popularly referred to as the Bullet Train project, at ₹7,289 crore.

The C6 package involves the design and construction of civil and building works for high-speed rail line involving 87.5 kms of viaducts and bridges, 25 crossing bridges, a tunnel, 97.50 km of roads, one station, a maintenance depot, four sub-maintenance depots, and a host of other associated structures. The project is being financed by Japan International Cooperation Agency.

Other bidders were the Tata Projects-J Kumar Infrastructure Projects Ltd-NCC Ltd consortium and the AFCONS Infrastructure Ltd-Ircon-JMC Projects consortium.

Just weeks ago, L&T had secured a mega order of ₹24,985 crore (that constitute 46.66 per cent of the project) for constructing the largest segment of the high-speed rail line between Mumbai and Ahmedabad from National High-Speed Rail Corporation (NHSRCL). The mega order or the C4 package involves construction of the 237.1 km of the 508.17 km Mumbai-Ahmedabad High-Speed Rail, the country's biggest infrastructure project to date.

Upon completion, it will operate at a speed of 320 kmph, covering the distance in about two hours with limited stops.

**EXPRESS READ**

**CV sales see recovery for first time in Oct**

New Delhi: Commercial vehicle (CV) manufacturers for the first time this year reported increase in monthly dispatches. Tata Motors said its total CV sales increased two per cent year-on-year to 28,472 units in October while Hinduja flagship company Ashok Leyland reported one per cent increase in total sales at 9,989 unit. In the domestic market, however, the two leading players reported marginal dip in y-o-y sales. While Leyland's domestic sales declined two per cent to 8,885 units, Tata's domestic sales were 26,052 units in October.

# NIIF buys 2 Essel Group assets marking foray into roads sector

**ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU** @ New Delhi

NEARLY a year since it first initiated talks, the Subhash Chandra-backed Essel Group has managed to sell off two road assets — Essel Devanahalli Tollway and Essel Dichpally Tollway — to the National Investment and Infrastructure Fund (NIIF). This is the first investment that NIIF has made in the road and highways sector, according to Vinod Giri, managing partner at NIIF.

While the deal size was not disclosed, the acquisition is done through the NIIF Master Fund, and the projects will be managed by Athaang Infrastructure, NIIF's proprietary roads platform backed by a team of experienced professionals with rich domain expertise in the transportation sector.

Subhash Chandra''s debt-laden Essel Group has been in talks with NIIF to sell these assets since last year for an estimated ₹1,500-1,800 crore. NIIF is an investment platform for investors, anchored by the Centre and manages over $4.3 billion of equity capital commitments.

# Two-wheeler industry arrests declining trend with bumper festive demand

**ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU** @ Chennai

THE ongoing festival season has brought cheers and much-needed positivity for the two-wheeler segment. Almost all major scooter and motorcycle manufacturers, save for Royal Enfield, have recorded the highest monthly domestic sales in October as compared to the same month last year.

Hero MotoCorp, Bajaj, TVS, Honda, Yamaha and Suzuki are the major two wheeler companies which dominate the market. While all of these firms have recorded strong retail sales in October, Enfield has recorded a drop of seven per cent in domestic sale volumes to 62,858 units during October as against 67,538 units clocked last year in October.

Experts have attributed the positive turnaround in consumer sentiments towards two-wheelers to rising awareness about safe transportation during the pandemic, new product launches, availability of easy and cheap loans as well as attractive offers rolled out by companies to lure customers.

"Usually from Dussehra to Diwali, vehicle sales increase. But, sales in October this year were better than expected as many are refraining from using public transport due to safety concerns in the wake of the pandemic," said a Chennai-based dealer. Data released by the company showed that Hero MotoCorp Ltd, has registered its highest ever sales in any month by selling 806,848 units of motorcycles and scoot-ers in October 2020. The company has reported a robust growth of 35 per cent over the corresponding month of the previous year (October 2019), when the company sold 599,248 units.

Yamaha Motor's sales rose 31 per cent to 60,176 units in October compared to 46,082 units last year, while TVS Motor Company said its sales grew 22 per cent selling 3,94,724 units in October. Similarly, Bajaj Auto saw its two-wheeler sales rise 18 per cent, while Honda two-wheeler sales stood at 5,27,180 units, up two per cent.

## THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LTD

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**Sale Notice For Sale Of Immovable Properties**

**E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.**

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, **The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd,** the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of **The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd.,** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS", and "WHATEVER THERE IS"** on **27.11.2020,** for recovery of **Rs.51,76,075.40** (Rupees Fifty One Lakh Seventy Six Thousand Seventy Five and Paise Forty only) due to the **Karur Vysya Bank Ltd, BTM layout,** Secured Creditor from **(1) Mr. Naren Kumar** S, No. 10, 2nd floor, 9th E Cross, SBI Colony, J.P. Nagar, 1st Phase, Bangalore-560078 Also@ GF No.004, Property bearing number 207/A, Rajarajeswari CMC, Khatha NO.438/207–A, Bikasipura Village, Uttarhalli Hobli, Bangalore-560061 and **2) Mr. Amareshwar G,** S/o. Mr. Shankarnna Gowli, 104/Y, BSK, 4th Main, 7th Block, Bangalore - 560085 (Guarantor).

**DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of the property situated at No. 207/A, Rajarajeswari CMC, Khatha, No. 438/207-A, Ward No.185, Flat No.GF No. 004, Ground Floor, Bikasipura Village, Near Delhi Public School, ISRO Layout, Uttarhalli Hobli, Bangalore- 560061; bounded by: EAST : Open Area, WEST : Passage and Flat No. 001, NORTH : Staircase Area SOUTH : Flat No. 003

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| **Reserve Price:** | **Rs. 26,73,000/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakhs and Seventy Three Thousand only)** |
| **Earnest Money Deposit (10% of reserve price):** | **Rs. 2,67,300/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Sixty Seven Thousand and Three Hundred only)** |
| **Inspection of the Asset:** | **All working Days – From 03.11.2020 to 25.11.2020 between 11.00 AM to 5.00 PM** |
| **Contact Details:** | **THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LTD, BTM Layout Branch** No. 12, Shravanthi Blue Chip, Near Axa Building, BTM First Stage, 100 Ft Ring Road, Bangalore- 560068 **Mr. NARESH KANTETI** Branch Head – BTM Layout Branch Ph: 9538889169 / 26785053 Chief Manager/ Authorized Officer, VV Puram, Divisional Office, Bangalore Ph: 080-26623203/26623208 |
| **Last date for obtaining Tender-cum-Auction Application Forms:** | **25.11.2020 by 03.00 PM** |
| **Last date & time for submitting sealed Tenders:** | **Date: 25.11.2020 Time: 5.00 PM** either in person or by registered post |
| **Date and time of E – Auction:** | **27.11.2020 from 10:30 AM to 12.00 PM** with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each in the premises of **THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LTD, BTM Layout Branch,** No. 12, Shravanthi Blue Chip, Near Axa Building, BTM First Stage,100 Ft Ring Road, Bangalore- 560068 Through https://eauctions.samil.in |
| **Nodal Bank & Accounts details:** | **IFSC Code: KVBL0001101 Account No. 1101351000000973** The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd., Central Office in favour of: **Mr. Naren Kumar S** |

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in our Bank's/ Secured Creditor's website **i.ewww.kvb.co.in/Property** Under Auction also at the web portal https://eauctions.samil.in of the service provider, **M/s. Shriram Automall India Limited.**

**Statutory 15 days' Notice under Rule 9(1) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002**

The borrower/s and guarantor/s are hereby notified to pay the dues as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of e-Auction, failing which the Schedule property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues, if any, will be recovered with interest and cost.

**Date : 02.11.2020** **AUTHORISED OFFICER**
**Place: Bangalore** **THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LIMITED**

## KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN:U40109KA1999SGC025521)

**No: SEE/T(W&M)H/AEE(C)/20-210/CYS-31 Date: 02.11.2020**

**BRIEF TENBDER NOTIFICATION**

KPTCL invites Bids for **Other Civil Engineering Works** coming under the jurisdiction of Transmission (W&M) Circle, KPTCL, Hubballi. The detailed notification regarding the works Called through Brief Tender Notification and other details can be obtained from the Notice Board of the office of the undersigned.

**Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Elecl)**
Transmission(Works & Maint.) Circle, KPTCL,
Vidyuthnagar, Hubballi-580 024, Ph/Fax: 0836-2203094

## केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A GOVERNMENT OF INDIA UNDERTAKING)
**Gokula Branch, 438/C, HMT Main Road, Gokula 1st Stage, Mathikere Extension, Mathikere, Bengaluru - 560054. Ph: 080-23375050**

**DEMAND NOTICE SECTION 13(2) TO BORROWER/GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR**

Whereas, the Authorized Officer of the **Canara Bank, Gokula Branch,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) of Chapter-3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notice/s on below mentioned date, calling upon the following Borrower/s/Guarantor/s to repay the dues within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

**Name of the Borrower: 1) Mr. Rajeev M Chandan 2) Manju N Chandan,** Sai Krupa, NH - 17, Hemmadi Post Kundapur - 576201 **Also at:** No. 27/2, 4th Main 4th Cross, Mathikere Extension Bangalore - 560054. **Also at:** New Sagar Fast Food No. 57, Mathikere Main Road Yeshwanthpura Bangalore - 560054. **2) Mr. Manju N Chandan** S/o **Late Naga Chandan,** Sai Krupa, NH - 17, Hemmadi Post Kundapur - 576201

**Nature of Loan: OCC, Loan No: 0690285000004, Sanctioned Amount : Rs. 40,00,000.00**

**Nature of Loan: Housing Loan, Loan No: 0603619001753, Sanctioned Amount : Rs. 10,00,000.00.**

**Total Liability:** as an **30.09.2020** is **Rs.88,94,870.50** (Rupees Eighty Eight Lakh Ninety Four Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy and Paisa Fifty Only) Interest @ 17.20% Per Annum + **Rs.1,44,342.00** (Rupees One Lakh Forty Four Thousand Three Hundred Forty Two Only) Interest @ 9.55% Per Annum together with all costs, charges, expenses and incidental expenses.

**Demand Notice Date: 14.10.2020** **NPA Date: 30.08.2015**

**Schedule Property:** All that piece and parcel of property situated at No. 201/1A3AP2,201/1A3AP8. Hemmadi Village of Kundapur Taluk at a distance of 100 mts from NH — 66 and 5 Kms from Kundapura City. The property is connected to NH-66 by 12' Village Road. property, standing in the name of Sri Manju N Chandan (S/o. Sri Naga Chandan) and Sri Rajeev M Chandan (S/o. Sri Manju N Chandan) with the following boundaries:On the North by: Land of Chandu Hengsu, On the South by: Portion of the same subdivision, On the East by : Portion of the same subdivision, On the West by: Subdivision Line.

The above borrowers committed default of repayment of loans as above and the loans are duly secured by way of mortgage of property described as above and were classified as Non Performing Assets on the date mentioned above. The Bank issued Registered Notice to all the above borrower/Guarantors under Section 13(2) of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002, (SARFAESI Act) calling upon them to repay the outstanding amount. We now call upon to pay the above mentioned liability with further interest and cost accrued till date within 60 days from the date of this notice. falling which, Bank will be constrained to exercise its rights of enforcement of security interest as per Section 13(4) (a) TO (b) OF SARFAESI act 2002 against the secured assets given in the schedule above. The above borrower/s in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the above properties and restrained from dealing in term of Section 13(13) of SARFAESI Act 2002 and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of Canara Bank for the accounts mentioned above with further Interest and cost, expenses thereon.

**Date: 02.11.2020** **sd/- Authorised officer**
**Place: Bangalore** **Canara Bank**

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**SSTA-1: Tender-cum-Auction Notice** **Dated: 02.11.2020**

**Notice of Sale under Rule 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules -2002, framed under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002**

Pursuant to the possession taken by the Authorized Officer under Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 for recovery of the secured debts due to **The Karur Vysya Bank Limited** amounting to **Rs. 65,58,010.54 (Rupees Sixty Five Lakhs Fifty Eight Thousand And Ten and paise fifty Four only)** and interest thereon with costs and charges from; **(1) Mr. Gangadhar R Anvekar,** S/o, Raviraj Kamalakar Anvekar, 3342/79, 5th Cross, C Block, Gayathri Nagar, Srirampuram, Bangalore – 560 021; **(2) Mrs. Poornima G A,** W/o, Gangadhar R Anvekar, 3342/79, 5th Cross, C Block, Gayathri Nagar, Srirampuram, Bangalore – 560 021 and **(3) Mr. Sagar R Anvekar,** S/o. Raviraj Kamalakar Anvekar, 3342/79, 5th Cross, C Block, Gayathri Nagar, Srirampuram, Bangalore– 560 021. Offers are invited by the undersigned in sealed covers for purchase of the following assets on **"AS IS WHERE IS "& "WHAT IS WHERE IS"** basis:

**Description of the property**

All that piece and parcel of the Residential Flat situated at Site No. 42, Flat No. 03, 2nd Floor, "M M Basappa Apartments", New PID No. 11-W0143-12, Teachers Layout, MS Palya in Sy No. 58/3, Jarakabandekavel, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore – 560 097 with super built up area of 1400 sq feet, along with proportionate UDS of 412.5 sq feet; Bounded on: East By: Staircase, West By: 2 Feet Passage, North By: 3 Feet Passage and South By: 5 Feet Passage.

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|---|---|
| Reserve Price | **Rs. 49,50,000.00** |
| Earnest Money Deposit (10% of reserve price) | **Rs. 4,95,000.00** |
| Inspection of the Asset | **All working days between 03.11.2020 to 25.11.2020; between 11 AM to 5.00 PM.** |
| Contact Details: | **THE KARUR VYSYA BANK, Rajaji Nagar Branch 869/C, 17th G Main Road V Block, Rajaji Nagar Bangalore, Karnataka, 560010 Mr. THIRUMALAIKUMAR K Senior Manager – Branch Head Ph: 9739099426 / 080- 23152634 / 23301901 Chief Manager/ Authorized Officer, VV Puram, Divisional Office, Bangalore Ph: 080-26623203/26623208** |
| Last date for obtaining Tender-cum-Auction Application Forms: | **25.11.2020 by 3.00 PM** |
| Last date & time for submitting sealed Tenders: | **Date: 25.11.2020 Time: 05.00 PM either in person or by registered post** |
| Date and time of E – Auction: | **27.11.2020 from 10:30 AM to 12.00 PM with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each in the premises of The Karur Vysya Bank Limited, Rajaji Nagar Branch 869/C, 17th G Main Road V Block, Rajaji Nagar Bangalore, Karnataka-560010 Through https://eauctions.samil.in** |
| Nodal Bank & Accounts details: | **IFSC Code: KVBL0001101 Account No. 1101351000000973 The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd., Central Office in favour of : GANGADHAR R ANVEKAR** |

E-Tender-cum- E-Auction Application should be submitted in the prescribed form only to be obtained from the bank.

**Statutory 15 days sale notice under Rule 9(1) of the SARFAESI act, 2002 :** The borrower/guarantors are hereby notified to pay the dues as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of e-Auction, failing which the property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues, if any, will be recovered with interest and cost.

Within one day of auction, 25% of bid amount (including EMD) should be remitted and within 15 days entire balance amount to be deposited, failing which EMD shall be forfeited without any further correspondence.

In addition to bid amount, 1% TDS amount should be paid by auction bidder, if applicable.

This is only abridged format of auction notice. Full copy of the auction notice is to be downloaded from the website **https://eauctions.samil.in**

**IMPORTANT TERMS & CONDITIONS**

1. The successful bidder should pay 25% of the bid amount (less the E.M.D.) immediately on the day of sale being knocked down in his/her favour and the balance money shall be paid within 15 days.
2. The successful bidder should bear the charges / fee payable for conveyance such as Registration fee, Stamp duty etc., as applicable, as per law.
3. The Authorized Officer has the absolute right to accept or reject a bid or postpone / cancel / modify any terms and conditions of this sale without adducing any reasons.
4. Information about other conditions of sale can be collected from the Authorized Officer or The Karur Vysya Bank Limited, **Rajaji Nagar Branch.**
5. To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorized Officer, no other encumbrance exists on the property. The Karur Vysya Bank Limited will not be responsible or liable for any unknown or future encumbrances.

**Date : 02.11.2020** **AUTHORISED OFFICER**
**Place: Bangalore** **KARUR VYSYA BANK LIMITED**

## THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LTD

No. 6, 2nd Floor, Divisional Office, Vasavi Temple Road, Sajjanrao Circle, V. V. Puram, Bangalore – 560 004

**SSTA-1: Tender-cum-Auction Notice** **Dated: 02.11.2020**

**Notice of Sale under Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules - 2002, framed under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002.**

Pursuant to the possession taken by the Authorized Officer under Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 for recovery of the secured debts due to The Karur Vysya Bank Limited amounting as on **23.10.2020 Rs. 1,04,25,704.71** (Rupees One Crore Four Lakhs Twenty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Four and Seventy One Paise Only) and interest thereon with costs and charges from; **(a) M/s. SAMIKSHA DEVELOPERS,** House No G1 Plot No 617, Parimala Pride Apartment, 1st Main, C-Block ACES Layout, Kundalahalli, Bangalore – 560 035; **(b) Mr. NAMANI SATYANARAYANA (Partner),** S/o Mr. Guravaiah Namani; **(c) Mr. Prem Kumar Namani (Partner),** S/o. Mr. Namani Satyanarayana; **(d) Mrs. Amaravathi Namani (Partner),** W/o Mr. Namani Satyanarayana and **(e) Mr. Ravi Kumar Namani (Partner),** S/o. Mr. Namani Satyanarayana, all residing at House No. G1, Plot No. 617, Parimala Pride Apartment, 1st Main, C-Block, AECS Layout, Kundalahalli, Bangalore- 560 035 Also At House No. 11-13-1351/1, Margadarshi Colony, Kothapet, Saroor Nagar, Telangana, Hyderabad 500 035 offers are invited by the undersigned in Sealed covers for purchase of the following assets on **"AS IS WHERE IS "& "WHAT IS WHERE IS"** BASIS:

**Description of the property/ies**

Property bearing Flat No. 201, in the entire second floor, measuring 2464 sq ft. of super built up area, together with one covered car parking, with 840 sq ft of undivided right, title, interest and including proportionate share in common areas such as Passage Lobbies, Staircase contained in the multistoried building known as "S V Chambers", constructed over the vacant site bearing present Katha No. 87 & 88, Old Katha No. 68 & 69, comprised in Property No. 33, situated at Thubarahalli Village, Ramagondana Halli Post, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk; bounded by: North By: Road, South By: House property belonging to Munivenkata Reddy, East By : Property belonging to Venkateshappa and West By : Road.

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|---|---|
| Reserve Price: | **Rs. 1,39,50,000.00** (Rupees One Crore Thirty Nine Lakhs and Fifty Thousand only) |
| Earnest Money Deposit (10% of reserve price): | **Rs. 13,95,000.00** (Rupees Thirteen Lakhs and Ninety Five Thousand only) |
| Inspection of the Asset: | All working Days – **From 03.11.2020 to 25.11.2020 between 11.00 AM to 5.00 PM** |
| Contact Details: | **THE KARUR VYSYA BANK, White Field Branch** No. 196, S V Chambers, Varthur Main Road, Thubarahalli, Whitefield, Bangalore - 560066 **Mr. RAJA GOUTHAM B,** Manager – Branch Head White Field Branch, Ph: 9739006447 Chief Manager/ Authorized Officer, VV Puram, Divisional Office, Bangalore Ph: 080-26623184 /26623208 |
| Last date for obtaining Tender-cum-Auction Application Forms: | **25.11.2020 by 5.00 PM** |
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| Date and time of E – Auction: | **27.11.2020 from 10:30 AM to 12.00 PM** with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each in the premises of **The Karur Vysya Bank Limited, White Field Branch** No. 196, S V Chambers, Varthur Main Road, Thubarahalli, Whitefield, Bangalore – 560066 Through https://eauctions.samil.in |
| Nodal Bank & Accounts details: | **IFSC Code: KVBL0001101 Account No. 1101351000000973 The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd.,** Central Office in favour of: **M/s. Samiksha Developers** |

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5. To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorized Officer, no other encumbrance exists on the property. The Karur Vysya Bank Limited will not be responsible or liable for any unknown or future encumbrances.

**Date : 02.11.2020** **AUTHORISED OFFICER**
**Place: Bangalore** **KARUR VYSYA BANK LIMITED**

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

CHANGE OF NAME

**CHANGE OF NAME**

I,**MANJUNATH.G** S/o. Gopal , R/at #1004/4, 26/1A-2, Shreyas Nilaya, 1st Cross, K.N Extention, Yeswanthapura, Bangalore, Karnataka -560 022. do hear by changed name from **MANJUNATH.G** to **RAJATH MANJUNATH.G** with immediate effect vide affidavit dated 09.10.2020 before Notary **Chandrakala** , Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**

I, **AYESHA**, W/o Mohammed Samiulla, R/o. No.55, 1st Cross, Neelasandra, Anepalya, Viveknagar Post, Bangalore-560047, shall henceforth be called as **KOKILA KUMARI** and also converted from ISLAM to HINDU, vide affidavit dated 28.10.2020, before Notary **K. VENKATESHAN,** Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**

I, **FIZA BANU KHAKHU** D/o **Jusab Younus Khakhu,** R/at No.646, 7th Cross, 1st Stage, 2nd Block, HBR Layout, Bengaluru-560043 have changed my name to **FIZA BANU** vide affidavit dated:02/11/2020 Before Notary **H.S.Sakalesh Aradhya** Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**

**I, Army No.14836546H,** Rank: SEP, Name: SANJIB BASUMATARY, R/at PAMUA PATHAR, PAMUA PATHAR, MUSHALPUR, DAKSHIN BASKA, BAKSA -781372, ASSAM, that I have changed my Daughter's name from **DEEBIYA BASUMATARY** to **DIVYA BASUMATARY** vide affidavit dated 02.11.2020 before notary HARISHA G, Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**

**I, SONU, D/o. Javeed Khan, aged about 21 years, residing at No. 15, Govindapura, 14th Cross, Fathima Layout, Near Alkareem Masjid AC Post, Bangalore - 560045, have changed my name to AYESHA KHANUM vide Affidavit dated 31.10.2020 sworn before Notary C. Sharada, Bangalore**

**CHANGE OF NAME**

I, Sumita Ghosal, D/o. Sri.Basu Narayan Ghosal, aged about 35 years, R/at No 301, Royal SLV Homes, #58, 6th A Cross, Chinnapanahalli, Bangalore-560037, Karnataka. I have changed my name from **'SUMITA CHAVVAKULA' to 'SUMITA GHOSAL'** Vide affidavit dated 18.10.2020. Sworn before Advocate and Notary Yankoba, Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**

I, **SOHAIL .S,** S/o Chan Basha Shaik, aged 22 years, residing at No.452, 1st Floor, Mottapanpalya, 6th Main, Indiranagar, Bangalore-560038, Karnataka, India, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SOHAIL .S** to **SOHAIL SHAIK,** hereafter I shall be known and called as **SOHAIL SHAIK** only, vide affidavit dated 02.11.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **MEER HASSAN,** Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**

I, **STEEPHAN THATTANIYATHU VARGHESE** S/o **Esthappan Varghese,** R/at No.B-203, Amanda Nairobi Apts,Hennur Main Road, K.K.Halli Post, Bengaluru-560084 have changed my name to **STEPHEN THATTANIYATHU VARGHESE** vide affidavit dated: 02/11/2020 Before Notary **H.S.Sakalesh Aradhya** Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**

**I, (OLD NAME) JAYANTHI,** D/o Late K.Panchaksharam, Army (MEG) Ex. Army No. 1310881 Residing at No. 37, Rajammal Illam, Kaverinagar, BEML Nagar Post, K.G.F-563115, Kolar District, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) JAYANTHI** to **(NEW NAME) P.JAYANTHI** vide affidavit Dated 19/10/2020 sworn before Notary N.L.Chandrappa, Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**

**I, SUKHADA MAHESH BETTADAPUR,** D/o. Mahesh Venkatesh, Aged about 20 years, residing at No. C-1202, Brigade Millennium Apartment, Puttenahalli Main Road, J.P. Nagar 7th Phase, Bengaluru - 560 078, have changed my name from **SUKHADA MAHESH BETTADPUR** to **SUKHADA MAHESH BETTADAPUR.** Vide affidavit dated 02.11.2020 sworn before Advocate & Notary C.N. Chandra Shekar, Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**

"I hitherto known as **SANDEEP KUMAR .P**, S/o PILLIRAPPA, R/o Door No. 47/A, Bijjavara Village and Post, Devanahalli taluk, Bangalore Rural District-562164, Karnataka, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as **SANDEEP PAULRAJ"**, vide affidavit dated 29.10.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **N. NAGAPPA,** Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**

"I here to known as **S. RAMPRASAD**, S/o CHANDRASEKAR, R/o. #1056A, Ekadanta, Flat No.2, 1st floor, 9th Main, Devarachikkanahalli Road, Vijaya Bank Layout, Off. Bannerghatta Road, Behind New Kabab Zone, Bangalore-560076, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as **SEELAM RAMPRASAD NAIDU"**, vide affidavit dated 29.10.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **N. NAGAPPA**, Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**

I,**MUKESH SHARMA M** R/at Mahaveer Fortune flat No. 203,1st Floor B-Block Sy No-43/1 G-Hosahalli Magadi main Road Bangalore- 560091 have changed my name to **MUKESH SHARMA** vide affidavit dated:31/10/2020 Before Notary **G.Kaspar** Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**

I, S. Geetha W/o Buvaneshwaraiah .P aged about 36 years, R/at No.231, Rajeev Gandhi Ashraya Layout, Singapura Vidyaranayapura, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560097, have changed my name from **S. Nanjamma** to **S. GEETHA,** vide affidavit dated: 02-11-2020, sworn before Jalandhara, Advocate and Notary, Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**

**I, LAXMAN AMMANAGI,** S/o Hanumanthappa aged about 46 years, residing at Parappana Agrahara, Electronic City Post Bangalore-560100, have Changed my Daughter's Name from **HARSHITA** to **HARSHITA LAXMAN AMMANAGI** in all future documents and records vide affidavit dated 02.11.2020, sworn before notary K. Muralidharan, Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**

"I, **JAYAKUMAR VARNAVAL**, S/o RADHA KRISHNA VARNAVAL, R/o #B808, VRR next residential apartment, Konnapanna Agrahara, Electronic City-560100, Karnataka, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as **JAI KUMAR PRASAD"**, vide affidavit dated 29.10.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **N. NAGAPPA**, Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**

I, **Parthasarathy K. S.** S/o. Late Kasturi Srinivasa Iyengar, R/at No. 217, "Sri Ranga", 6th Cross, SBM Colony, BSK 1st Stage, Bengaluru - 560 050 have changed my minor son's name K.P. Hayagriva to **HAYAGRIVAA K. P.** wide affidavit dated 30.10.2020 sworn before Advocate & Notary Vani G. K., Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**

**I, M.ANITHA,** Spouse of No. JC 311857M SUB P.C.Murugan, Residing At House No. 4/520C Street: Adhiyaman Nagar, Vill:Somarpet, Venkatapuram, Tehsil:Krishnagiri, Dist:Krishnagiri, State:Tamil Nadu, PIN:635001, have changed my name from **M.ANITHA** to **J.ANITHA** vide affidavit Dated 23/10/2020 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**

I SHIVANI GURUNG R. D/o Rakesh Kumar Gurung R/a #188, Bidarahalli, Virgonagar, Bangalore-49 have changed my name from **SHIVANI GURUNG** to **SHIVANI GURUNG R** vide affidavit dated 02-11-20 sworn before advocate and notary V. Raja shekara, Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**

I, **BANGALORE ABUBAKER AMEER HASSAN SHARIFF**, S/o Bangalore Mohiuddin Abubaker, residing at No.102, 4th A Cross, 4th block, Koramangala, Bengaluru-560034 Karnataka State, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **BANGALORE ABUBAKER AMEER HASSAN SHARIFF** to **AMEER HASSAN SHARIFF,** hereafter I shall be known and called as **AMEER HASSAN SHARIFF** only, vide affidavit dated 28.10.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **L. GOPALAKRISHNA,** Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**

I, **MOHAMED SADATHULLA,** S/o Mohamed Samiulla, R/o. No.55, 1st Cross, Neelasandra, Anepalya Road, Viveknagar Post, Bangalore-560047, shall henceforth be called as **NAVDEEP** and also converted from ISLAM to HINDU, vide affidavit dated 28.10.2020, before Notary **K. VENKATESHAN,** Bangalore.

**AFFIDAVIT**

I, **Sri. VENKATESH .H,** S/o Hanumaiah, aged about 25 years, R/at. Yerehalli village, Medamaranahalli post, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakapura taluk, Ramanagara dist. do hereby declare that my mother name i.e., **JAYALAKSHMAMMA @ LAKSHMAMMA,** are one and the same and belongs to my mother only, vide affidavit dated 23.07.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **AMBARISHA,** Ramanagara.

**CHANGE OF NAME**

**I, Army No.14836546H,** Rank: SEP, Name: SANJIB BASUMATARY, R/at PAMUA PATHAR, PAMUA PATHAR, MUSHALPUR, DAKSHIN BASKA, BAKSA -781372, ASSAM, that I have changed my Son's name from **ARJUN KUMAR BASUMATARY** to **ARJUN BASUMATARY** vide affidavit dated 02.11.2020 before notary HARISHA G, Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**

I, **UTTAM CHAND,** S/o Sagarmal, aged about 44 years, R/at No.2, Vaibhav, 2nd Floor, Rangarao Parallel Road, Shankarapuram, Bengaluru-560004. I hereby declare that my correct name is **UTTAM CHAND** and my father name is **SAGARMAL,** vide affidavit dated: 02-11-2020, sworn before P.N. Nagesh, Advocate and Notary, Bangalore

**LOST**

It is notified for the information that my Original Qualifying Examination Certificate of Main Secondary Examination of Year 2018 and Roll No. 8120979 issued by CBSE has been actually lost. Name of Candidate **ADITH THOMAS VARGHESE** full Address: 4094, Tower 4, Prestige Misty Waters, Kempapura Road, Hebbal, Bangalore, Karnataka-560024.

## BANGALORE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

T. Chowdaiah Road, Kumara Park West, Bengaluru - 560 020

No: BDA/EE/HPD-1/Auction/Gunjur/51/20-21 DATE: 28.10.2020

**INVITATION FOR PUBLIC AUCTION**

Public Auction is being conducted for the following items at Gunjur site by the Executive Engineer, Housing Project Division-1, Bangalore Development Authority (BDA), T. Chowdaiah Road, Kumara Park West, Bengaluru-560 020 on behalf of the Commissioner, BDA, Bengaluru on as is Where is basis.

The List of articles proposed for public auction are detail below:

| Sl. No. | Description | Year of Manufacture | Numbers | Qty. | Present Market value in Rs. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Rebar Bending Machine | Model:SBM-42E | NO-1 | 1 | 15,000 |
| 2 | Rebar Cutting Machine | Model:CARO-42 | NO-1 | 1 | 15,000 |
| 3 | Electric Vibrator TOTAL-02 | - | NO-1 | 1 | 2,000 |
| | | | NO-2 | 1 | 2,000 |
| 4 | Vibrator Needle (60mm=02, 40mm=02 no) | - | NO-1 | 1 | 300 |
| | | | NO-2 | 1 | 300 |
| | | | NO-3 | 1 | 300 |
| | | | NO-4 | 1 | 300 |
| 5 | Chipping Machine | - | NO-1 | 1 | 3,000 |
| 6 | Steel Cutting Machine | Model:SNO-36P | NO-1 | 1 | 15,000 |
| 7 | Wood Cutting Machine | - | NO-1 | 1 | 15,000 |
| 8 | Mivan Drilling Machine | - | NO-1 | 1 | 1,000 |
| 9 | Drilling Machine TOTAL-2 NOS | - | NO-1 | 1 | 1,000 |
| | | | NO-2 | 1 | 1,000 |
| 10 | Welding Machine (Small=01, Big=01) | - | NO-1 | 1 | 2,000 |
| | | | NO-2 | 1 | 1,000 |
| 11 | Grinding Machine | - | NO-1 2nd Hand | 1 | 15,000 |
| 12 | Auto Level instrument | SOKKIA B-40 | NO-1 | 1 | 500 |
| 13 | Batching Plant | GREAVES | NO-1 | 1 | 480,000 |
| 14 | Concrete Block Casting Machine Total-3nos | - | NO-1 | 1 | 25,000 |
| | | | NO-2 | 1 | 25,000 |
| | | | NO-3 | 1 | 25,000 |
| 15 | Sand Screener | - | NO-1 | 1 | 1,000 |
| 16 | Cutting Machine Total-02nos | Model:SCM-42E | NO-1 | 1 | 20,000 |
| | | | NO-2 | 1 | 20,000 |
| 17 | Bending Machine | Model:SBM-42E | NO-1 | 1 | 20,000 |
| 18 | Batching Plant | MSAKR | NO-1 | 1 | 190,000 |
| 19 | DG set 125 KV | RUSTON SRNO 342206105/07 | NO-1 | 1 | 40,000 |
| 20 | DG set 40 KV | RUSTON SRNO 477.1/97 | NO-1 | 1 | 20,000 |
| 21 | DG set 20 KV | - | NO-1 | 1 | 10,000 |
| 22 | Concrete Pump | SCHWING 2008 Model No-BP350 | NO-1 | 1 | 100,000 |
| 23 | Hole Drilling Machine | - | NO-1 | 1 | 1,000 |
| 24 | Transit mixer | KL-25-8470 | | 1 | 150,000 |
| 25 | Tractor with trailer | AP-27-U-1847 and AP-07-V-4304 | | 2 | 100,000 |
| 26 | JCB (L & T) | KA-07-MC-9913/2007 | | 1 | 300,000 |
| | | | | Total | 1,616,700 |

**(a)** Date of Auction: **13.11.2020 at 11.30 AM. (b)** Place of Auction: BDA Flats, Gunjur-Balagere Road, Sy No.138, Gunjur, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk. For more general terms and conditions visit our Website: **www.bdabangalore.org**

**Sd/- Executive Engineer, Housing Project Division-01, BDA, Bengaluru**

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## Equestrian competitions to resume this week

Equestrian is set to resume in the country after more than seven months, with the national federation scheduling two World Dressage events this week. The first competition will be organised in New Delhi on November 4 and 5, followed by another event in Bengaluru on November 7 and 8.

# PLAY SAFE IN PLAYOFF PUSH

### Delhi seal second place, Bangalore qualify despite loss as teams adapt cautious approach

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

IN an edition of IPL where only one qualifier had been identified with just two matches to go, the equation was simple for Royal Challengers Bangalore and Delhi Capitals. Take the match as close to the end as possible so that both finish above Kolkata Knight Riders on run rate and reach the play-offs.

By the mid-match break on Monday, the equation was clear. Even though Bangalore set them 153 to win, for Delhi to qualify 134 was enough. Bangalore had to ensure Delhi didn't chase the target in less than 17.3 overs. Who won or lost didn't matter as long as the margin was not huge.

Probably because this was in their mind, both teams appeared to be cautious. That Delhi and Bangalore came into the match after a string of losses could also have played a part in them shedding the aggressive approach that one associates with big matches. In a tournament which has seen many last-ball thrillers this was the opposite.

Asked to bat first, Bangalore didn't try anything out of the box in posting 152/7. They paced their innings in a manner which suggested they felt a par total would be sufficient. Whether the intention was to put up a winning total or one good enough to stretch the game till the end can be debated. But given the stakes, it was hard to find faults with their approach.

When Delhi began their chase, their first target was 134, which was never going to be difficult even after Prithvi Shaw's early departure. Shikhar Dhawan and Ajinkya Rahane posted fifties as Delhi ensured they finished second, which gives them two chances to reach the final.

**Brief scores:** RCB 152/7 (Devdutt 50, De Villiers 35, Nortje 3/33) lost to DC 154/4 in 19 overs (Rahane 60, Dhawan 54).

Delhi opener Shikhar Dhawan scored 54 on Monday | SPORTZPICS

**SRH VS MI, SHARJAH@ 7.30** HEAD TO HEAD SRH 7, MI 8

### MUST WIN FOR SRH

The final game of the league phase between Sunrisers Hyderabad and table-toppers Mumbai Indians will decide the fourth team for the play-offs. Hyderabad need to win the game to secure their berth...

**DO-OR-DIE**

David Warner & Co have their fate on their own hands. Thanks to their better net run-rate, a win will help them secure the third position in the table. But if they lose, Hyderabad will be eliminated from of the tournament. The team come into the match having beaten Royal Challengers Bangalore and Delhi Capitals.

**DOMINANT MI**

It's an inconsequential match for Mumbai who became the first team to qualify for the play-offs. Skipper Rohit Sharma's absence due to hamstring injury has not affected the team combination as they have fired in all departments. Against a dominant side like Mumbai, it will not be easy for Hyderabad.

# Illness scare in national archery camp in Pune

AYANTAN CHOWDHURY @ New Delhi

THE national archery camp currently underway at Army Sports Institute (ASI) in Pune has suffered a major scare after a member of the support staff fell ill on Friday. He was taken away from the premises and admitted to hospital.

Even though nobody has confirmed whether it is a case of Covid-19, lots of restrictions have been put in place for the campers present inside. The situation has got exacerbated due to the pandemic, as anybody getting fever or cough is viewed with suspicion. Practice was cancelled for a couple of days and while the previous norm was that all the campers would go to the dining area in batches for meals, currently they have been asked to eat inside the confinement of their rooms.

The ASI authorities had a meeting with the archers on Monday to discuss the issue. While no clear indication was provided about what happened to the support staff, the campers were asked to be extra cautious and come forward in case anybody felt any symptoms. A few voiced concern and asked for RT-PCR tests, but that decision has not been taken yet. ASI has written to SAI to apprise them of the situation inside the camp.

"Nobody is being informed anything and currently, there is an air of uncertainty and anxiety among the players. Training will go on but the players are wary. It might turn out to be something else entirely, but amid this pandemic, precaution and transparency is needed," said a source close to developments.

Everyone associated with the camp has been asked to not divulge any information. The person in question has also been asked not to speak to anybody except the authorities.

**IPL TABLE**

| Team | M | W | L | Pts | NRR |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| MI | 13 | 9 | 4 | 18 | 1.296 Q |
| DC | 14 | 8 | 6 | 16 | -0.109 Q |
| RCB | 14 | 7 | 7 | 14 | -0.172 Q |
| KKR | 14 | 7 | 7 | 14 | -0.214 |
| SRH | 13 | 6 | 7 | 12 | 0.555 |
| KXIP | 14 | 6 | 8 | 12 | -0.162 |
| CSK | 14 | 6 | 8 | 12 | -0.455 |
| RR | 14 | 6 | 8 | 12 | -0.569 |

Updated till DC vs RCB match

# Watson says goodbye to T20 cricket

VENKATA KRISHNA B @ Chennai

AFTER retiring from the Big Bash League in Australia, Shane Watson has informed Chennai Super Kings that he will not be available for the next season of Indian Premier League. The Australian announced his retirement to his teammates after Chennai beat Kings XI Punjab in their last match of the 2020 season in Abu Dhabi on Sunday.

"Watson informed us that he wants to retire from all franchise cricket. He said this after the match against Punjab," Chennai Super Kings CEO Kasi Viswanathan told this daily.

The 39-year-old, who joined the Super Kings ahead of the 2018 season, played a key role in their title winning campaign that year. His unbeaten 117 against Sunrisers Hyderabad is perhaps the best knock in IPL finals. In the 2019 final against Mumbai Indians, batting with a bloodied knee, he nearly took the Super Kings to their fourth title before being run out in the final over.

Watson had retired from Tests and ODIs in 2015. His decision to call it quits from all formats isn't surprising, considering his struggle for runs this season. Though Chennai persisted with him as opener, he was nowhere near his best. He was no more the agile fielder that he used to be either.

Watson was initially part of Rajasthan Royals where he enhanced his reputation. Even though national duty forced him to miss the 2009 season, Watson continued to be an integral member of Rajasthan. He also played for Royal Challengers Bangalore in 2016 and 2017. In 145 IPL matches, he scored 3874 runs with a strike-rate 137.91 including four tons.

## Seeking winning goal

Real Madrid face Inter in what is expected to be a mouth-watering clash. Both teams are winless so far. A look at today's marquee Champions League matches...

**REAL MADRID VS INTER MILAN**

Zinedine Zidane's men lost their opening game of the continental campaign to Shakhtar Donetsk earlier this month before drawing at Borussia Moenchengladbach last week. Now, they face Inter Milan, who have fetched just two points so far. The team who comes out on top will be back on track. Real come into the tie on the back of a 4-1 win over Huesca in La Liga while Inter were held to 2-2 draw by Serie A. Eden Hazard, who made a comeback (La Liga) on Saturday, could play big role for Real. Hazard was on the scoresheet against Huesca and is expected to start against Inter.

**ATALANTA VS LIVERPOOL**

Two wins out of two, Liverpool will look to maintain their No 1 status when they travel to Atalanta. With injuries to some key defenders, Liverpool have had to dig deep into their resources to get results in recent weeks. Atalanta showed fighting spirit to come back from two goals down for a 2-2 draw against Ajax last week and they're expected to be stiff test for Jurgen Klopp's men. Colombian forwards Duvan Zapata and Luis Muriel are two weapons Atalanta coach Gian Piero Gasperini can count on. For the visitors, Joel Matip and Naby Keita are back in contention to feature, but Thiago Alcantara will miss out for the fifth straight game.

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Atalanta have scored six goals in two CL matches so far. Colombian striker Duvan Zapata, who hit a double against Ajax in their last tie, has accounted for 50 per cent of those goals.

**VIRUS HITS AJAX TEAM**

Reports emerged late on Monday that 11 Ajax players have tested positive for coronavirus. That effectively rules them (11) out of their Group D tie against Midtjylland.

**MATCHES (1:30 AM UNLESS SPECIFIED)** LIVE ON SONY PICTURES NETWORKS

Shaktar Donetsk vs Monchengladbach (11.25 pm), Lokomotiv Moscow vs Atletico Madrid (11.25 pm), RB Salzburg vs Bayern, Real Madrid vs Inter Milan, Man City vs Olympiacos, Porto vs Marseille, Atalanta vs Liverpool, Midtjylland vs Ajax.

# No entries this year, Lahiri to train in India

ATREYO MUKHOPADHYAY @ Chennai

IF a tied 11th finish on the PGA Tour is encouraging, what disappoints Anirban Lahiri is the reality that unless invited, he can't play more events this year. Despite decent returns in four outings in the 2020-2021 season which started in September, the lone Indian qualified to play on the biggest golf circuit doesn't have enough points to gain more entries.

In order to utilise this time, Lahiri is expected to come to India in December to train under personal coach Vijay Divecha in Ahmedabad. Divecha, who has in the past travelled to the US to work with Lahiri, isn't making foreign trips at the moment because of the coronavirus pandemic. Lahiri was in Ahmedabad for six weeks in June-July to work on his game.

That seems to be paying dividends, considering Lahiri's performance after returning to action. Due to the restriction on tournament entries caused by his indifferent run in the 2019-20 season, he has so far been able to play four of the eight events held in the new season. After tied 36th, tied sixth, tied 37th, he finished tied 11th at Bermuda Championship which ended on Sunday. Despite playing his best round of four-under, he could not break into the top 10.

"Happy with the consistency this week. I made too many small errors on and around the greens that added up to hurt me enough. Disappointed not to finish in the top 10. The game is getting more rounded every passing week. The biggest challenge and disappointment is not being able to play events. As of now, I'm not in any of the remaining events on the schedule (for this year). I may try to qualify for RSM Classic (November 19-22)," he said.

Starting the final round four shots behind the leader, Lahiri had birdies on the second, fourth and seventh holes, but dropped a bogey on the ninth. He hit another birdie on the 15th, only to drop a shot on the next. Birdies on the last two failed to lift him inside the top 10.

Having benefited immensely from his previous Ahmedabad stint, Lahiri has decided to come back for more of it instead of biding his time in the US. "Not sure about the duration, but I think he will be here for two-three weeks. He has been playing well after returning to the US (from a long stay in India). There is always room for improvement and that's what we will look at," said Divecha, who runs an academy in the Kalhaan Blues & Greens Golf Club in Ahmedabad.

# Sindhu tweets 'retirement' & clarifies later

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

"DENMARK Open was the final straw. I RETIRE." At 3.01 pm on Monday, shuttler PV Sindhu stunned the Twitter universe by posting those lines. 'I retire' couldn't go amiss as the font used was like those which are generally reserved for headers and the letters were in capitals.

Walking away from the sport at 25, which is considered peak age, this seemed unimaginable. Much to the relief of fans, those lines were to draw attention of people, as the later part of her letter revealed.

It was Sindhu's way of coming in terms to reality after struggles to cope with the coronavirus pandemic that has claimed millions of lives. "I've been thinking about coming clean with my feeling for a while now. I have been struggling to deal with it. It just feels so wrong," she wrote.

"Today, I choose to retire from this current sense of unrest. I retire from this negativity, constant fear, uncertainty. I choose to retire from a complete lack of control over unknown," she clarified.

**EXPRESS READ**

### Alaba, Bayern contract talks fall through

MUNICH: Two-time Champions League winner David Alaba is on course to leave Bayern Munich after the club said talks on a new contract broke down. Bayern set a deadline for the end of October for the Austrian and his agent to respond. When that date passed without an agreement, the offer was withdrawn. Alaba, who can play as defender and midfielder, made 271 Bundesliga appearances, won nine German titles and the Champions League in 2013 and 2020. His contract expires at the end of this season.

### MPL replaces Nike as India's kit sponsor

NEW DELHI: Fantasy gaming platform Mobile Premier League (MPL) has been picked as the apparel sponsor of the Indian cricket team for a period of three years. "Apex Council has passed the sponsorship deal for apparel of Indian team (men, women, A and U-19)," a senior official said.

### Tennis camp for elite players from Nov 30

NEW DELHI: The All India Tennis Association (AITA) has decided to invite country's top-20 players for a training camp here. The 21-day camp will first begin for men from November 30. Women's camp will start from January 4. It will be held under the supervision of Davis Cup coach Zeeshan Ali.

# BFC announce 32-member squad

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

BENGALURU FC named a 32-man squad for the upcoming Indian Super League season. Skipper Sunil Chhetri will lead the side for an eighth consecutive season. With 17 players from last season's squad making the list again, the Blues keep their core intact heading into what will be their fourth ISL campaign.

"As a club, we have done well to retain a core of players who have been performing well over the last seasons. We have also added players who can learn what we expect from them so that they can help the team," said coach Carles Cuadrat.

The Blues start their campaign against FC Goa on November 22.

**Goalkeepers:** Gurpreet Singh Sandhu, Lalthuammawia Ralte, Lara Sharma, Dipesh Chauhan.

**Defenders:** Rahul Bheke, Pratik Chaudhari, Harmanjot Khabra, Fran Gonzalez, Juanan Gonzalez, Ajith Kumar, Wungngayem Muirang, Joe Zoherliana, Parag Shrivas, Biswa Darjee.

**Midfielders:** Dimas Delgado, Erik Paartalu, Ajay Chhetri, Namgyal Bhutia, Suresh Wangjam, Naorem Roshan Singh, Amay Morajkar, Thoi Singh, Emanuel Lalchhanchuaha.

**Attackers:** Sunil Chhetri, Cleiton Silva, Kristian Opseth, Deshorn Brown, Ashique Kuruniyan, Udanta Singh, Edmund Lalrindika, Leon Augustine, Thongkhosiem Haokip

# ISL clubs play friendlies against each other in bio-bubble

MARTIN JOSEPH @ Kochi

THE Indian Super League (ISL) is set to kick-off from November 20 in a bio-bubble in Goa, but a few teams have already begun their activities on the field. In a first, the ISL clubs are playing friendly games against each other amidst the Covid-19 pandemic. It is unusual for clubs to play pre-season friendlies against the teams from the same league. All matches are played behind closed doors.

FC Goa and Jamshedpur were involved in a five-goal affair on Sunday while Kerala Blasters got the better of Hyderabad FC and played a stalemate against Mumbai City. Last season's finalists Chennaiyin FC suffered a narrow 1-0 defeat to Mumbai City on Monday.

Clubs usually travel to various parts of the world and play teams from different leagues in friendly games. These matches are usually open to the public and are seen as a way to promote the teams. However, the situation is different this time. Since all ISL clubs are in Goa in bio-secure bubbles, playing against each other remains the only choice. The teams are adapting to this new normal and are keen to make the most out of the situation.

"This is something new that everyone has had to deal with. It's a new normal. All the teams realised that they have to help each other. We are playing matches depending on the dates, availability of the ground and other factors," said Blasters coach Ishfaq Ahmed.

Ahead of the friendlies, teams have to write a mail to the organisers, requesting permission to play and to provide referees to officiate the games, although it's up to to the organisers to provide referees for these games. There is a separate bubble for referees and match officials.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

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3. Bid Document Cost : Rs.10, 000.00 (online)
4. E.M.D : Rs.8,36,800.00 (online)
5. Class of Contractor : "Special" Class & "Super" Class
6. Period of Completion : 12 calendar months (365 Days)
7. Other details are as follows.

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Superintending Engineer, Central Irrigation Circle, Bhubaneswar | SECIC PRD 08 of 2020-21 | 03.11.2020 10.00hrs | 18.11.2020 17.00hrs | 19.11.2020 11.00 hrs |

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**PIU Circle, Salem**
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| Sl. No | Name of Work | Work Value | GST 12% | Tender value Period of Contract | EMD (in Rs.) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | (Rs.in Lakhs) | | | |
| 1 | Construction of 528 tenements adopting Type Design No. HFA 14/2020, 14E/2020 (G+5) including internal water supply, sanitary and electrification arrangements with all development works at Melapalayam Scheme PH-1 in Karur Tk & District under HFA CER/HFA /44/2020-2021 | 3478.00 | 417.36 | 3895.36 / 15 Months | 19,58,000/- |

The cost of tender schedule and EMD should be drawn as Demand Draft or Banker's Cheque / Fixed Deposit from Nationalized / Scheduled Bank, payable at Salem in favour of Executive Engineer, PIU - II Division Salem. The tender documents may be obtained from the office of the Superintending Engineer, PIU Circle, Salem, Tamil Nadu Slum Clearance Board,3/2 Narayanasamy Street, Peramanur, Salem -636007 on written requisition along with cost of the tender document to a value of Rs.17,700/- upto 3.00 PM on **19.11.2020.** The Conditions and other details may be seen in the tender documents and also the same will be made available on all working days in the office of the Superintending Engineer, PIU Circle, Salem, Tamil Nadu Slum Clearance Board, 3/2 Narayanasamy Street, Peramanur, Salem - 636 007.

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Condition for participating in the tenders may be seen from the website **www.tenders.tn.gov.in.**

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# DUMMY'S GUIDE TO U.S. POLLS

The world's oldest democracy on Tuesday night would choose its 46th president. National polls continue to show Democratic Party nominee Joe Biden leading incumbent President Donald Trump, by at least 8 percentage points. We take a look at how the American system works as the president is elected by indirect ballot, not popular votes

**REQUIREMENTS TO BECOME A U.S. PRESIDENT**

- Must have attained the age of 35 ☑
- Should be a natural born citizen of the US ☑
- Resident of the US for 14 years ☑

**THE TWO MAJOR PARTIES**

America's political system is dominated by just two parties: The Republicans and The Democrats

**ROLE OF PRIMARY AND CAUCUSES**

In a caucus, party members select the best candidate through a series of discussions and votes

In a primary, the party members vote for the best candidate that will represent them in the general election

**WHAT ARE NATIONAL CONVENTIONS**

After selecting their best candidate, the party holds a national convention to finalise the selection of one presidential nominee who in turn chooses a vice-presidential candidate

**CASTING THE BALLOTS**

Voters across the 51 states vote for one president and one vice-president. But, there is a catch, voters directly do not vote for the president but voting for a group of people known as electors

**WHO ARE ELECTORS?**

Electors are party loyalists who pledge to support the candidate who gets the most votes

No senator, representative or person holding an office of trust or profit under the US shall be an elector. In a few US states, names of electors also appear on the ballots beneath the names of the candidates

**VOTING BY ELECTORS**

Each elector represents one vote in the electoral college. They meet on the first Monday after the second Wednesday of December to cast ballots for the president and vice-president

(Right) President Donald Trump and (left) Democratic presidential candidate former V-P Joe Biden during the final presidential debate at Belmont University on Oct 22 | AP

**DELAYED RESULTS**

The biggest factor that may slow things down this year is clear: Millions of Americans decided to vote by mail rather than risk contracting Covid-19 at a polling place. And in general, those mail ballots take longer to count

**POLLING AVERAGES**

The table lists what the average of major opinion polls in each state says about who the voters will cast their ballot for. Right-hand side column shows the result of what would happen if the polls were off the mark as they were in 2016

| | Polling leader | 2016 |
|---|---|---|
| U.S. | +8 Biden | +6 |
| New Hampshire | +11 Biden | +7 |
| Wisconsin | +10 Biden | +4 |
| Minnesota | +10 Biden | +4 |
| Michigan | +8 Biden | +4 |
| Nevada | +6 Biden | +8 |
| Pennsylvania | +6 Biden | <1 |
| Nebraska 2* | +5 Biden | +9 |
| Maine 2* | +3 Biden | +9 |
| Arizona | +3 Biden | +1 |
| Florida | +2 Biden | <1 |
| North Carolina | +2 Biden | +3 |
| Georgia | +2 Biden | <1 |
| Ohio | <1 Biden | +6 |
| Iowa | +1 Trump | +6 |
| Texas | +2 Trump | +4 |

**2020**

Polls are currently showing a comfortable lead for Biden nationally and in the major battleground states

**HOW TO VOTE VIA MAIL?**

Since Covid-19 made it difficult to go out on voting day, few states allowed people to vote by mail. In a few states, a ballot was automatically mailed to every eligible voter, with polling places available for voters who would like to vote in-person

**23.6%**

of all ballots cast were from mail ballots in 2016, up from 19.2% in 2008

**GRAPH SHOWS STATES' ELECTORAL VOTES THAT WILL BE WON OR ARE LIKELY TO BE WON, BASED ON LATEST POLLS**

272 JOE BIDEN DEMOCRAT — 270 TO WIN — DONALD TRUMP REPUBLICAN 125

203 | 69 | 141 | 48 | 77

| Solid Democrat (203) | | Leaning Democrat (69) | | Toss-up (141) | | Leaning Republican (48) | | Solid Republican (77) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| California | 55 | Pennsylvania | 20 | Texas | 38 | Indiana | 11 | Tennessee | 11 |
| New York | 29 | Michigan | 16 | Florida | 29 | Missouri | 10 | Alabama | 9 |
| Illinois | 20 | Minnesota | 10 | Ohio | 18 | South Carolina | 9 | Kentucky | 8 |
| New Jersey | 14 | Wisconsin | 10 | Georgia | 16 | Kansas | 6 | Louisiana | 8 |
| Virginia | 13 | Colorado | 9 | North Carolina | 15 | Utah | 6 | Oklahoma | 7 |
| Washington | 12 | New Hampshire | 4 | Arizona | 11 | Alaska | 3 | Arkansas | 6 |
| Massachusetts | 11 | | | Iowa | 6 | Montana | 3 | Mississippi | 6 |
| Maryland | 10 | | | Nevada | 6 | | | West Virginia | 5 |
| Connecticut | 7 | | | Maine (District 2) | 1 | | | Idaho | 4 |
| Oregon | 7 | | | Nebraska (District 2) | 1 | | | North Dakota | 3 |
| New Mexico | 5 | | | | | | | South Dakota | 3 |
| Hawaii | 4 | | | | | | | Wyoming | 3 |
| Rhode Island | 4 | | | | | | | Nebraska (Statewide) | 2 |
| Washington DC | 3 | | | | | | | Nebraska (District 1) | 1 |
| Delaware | 3 | | | | | | | Nebraska (District 3) | 1 |
| Vermont | 3 | | | | | | | | |
| Maine (Statewide) | 2 | | | | | | | | |
| Maine (District 1) | 1 | | | | | | | | |

SOURCE: REALCLEARPOLITICS/FINANCIAL TIMES, NEW YORK TIMES, USAGOV

**WHO WINS THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE?**

States generally award all their electoral college votes to whoever wins the poll of ordinary voters in the state, except in Maine and Nebraska. Hence, it is possible for a candidate to become president by winning a number of tight races in certain states, despite having fewer votes across the country

**HOW ARE ELECTORS CHOSEN?**

Thirty-three states choose their electors by party convention. Seven states and the District of Columbia select electors by state party committees

Remaining states' electors are appointed by either the governor, party nominees, state chair appointments or by a presidential nominee

**165** Number of electors who have not voted according to popular vote as of 2016

**FAITHLESS ELECTOR**

A 'faithless elector' is one who does vote according to the state's popular vote. In 2016, Hillary Clinton, lost five of her pledged electors while Donald Trump, lost two. In July, 2020, the Supreme Court ruled that states may require an elector to vote for the candidate to whom they had pledged independently

**ELECTORAL VOTE ff POPULAR VOTE**

Two out of the last five elections claimed their presidency by winning fewer votes from the public than their rivals. Winning more votes does not lead to direct claim to the White House

**2016**

CURRENT PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP HAD ALMOST THREE MILLION FEWER VOTES THAN HILLARY CLINTON

**2000**

GEORGE BUSH WON THE PRESIDENCY EVEN WHEN AL GORE RECEIVED 5,47,398 MORE POPULAR VOTES

# Fires in Amazon & Pantanal double in October, data shows

ENVIRONMENT

BRASILIA: A record high number of fires scorched Brazil's Amazon and Pantanal wetlands last month, official data showed on Sunday, as deforestation and climate change wreaked havoc on some of the planet's most valuable ecosystems.

The Amazon rainforest has been described as the Earth's "lungs" due to its role in producing almost 10 per cent of the world's oxygen.

The Pantanal further south is one of the world's largest tropical wetlands and a biodiversity paradise that extends across Brazil's borders into Paraguay and Bolivia.

The number of fires typically fall in October as the Amazon approaches the rainy season. But Brazil's National Institute of Space Research (INPE) on Sunday recorded 17,326 fires in the Amazon in October, more than double the number seen in the same month in 2019.

Satellite imagery showed close to 1,00,000 fires in the first 10 months of 2020, more than were seen in the whole of last year. The INPE also detected almost 3,000 individual fires in the Pantanal, a new monthly record since data collection began in 1998.

The region — 23 per cent of which is estimated to have gone up in smoke this year — has seen a record-breaking 21,115 fires so far this year, more than double the number registered in all of 2019.

Experts and environmental NGOs blame the worsening fires on Brazilian president Jair Bolsonaro, a climate change skeptic who supports opening both regions to logging and farming.

Some fires are the result of burning to prepare the land for livestock, despite a 120-day ban on the practice imposed in July. "With deforestation rates increasing in recent years, warnings by researchers were ignored by the government: deforestation and fire go together," said Mariana Napolitano, the head of the science program at World Wildlife Fund (WWF) Brazil.

# Water formed 4.4 bn years ago on Mars

SPACE

TOKYO: After analysing an ancient Martian meteorite, a team of Japanese researchers has revealed that water on the Red Planet originated some 4.4 billion years ago.

Several years ago, a pair of dark meteorites was discovered in the Sahara Desert. They were dubbed NWA 7034 and NWA 7533.

Analysis showed these meteorites are new types of Martian meteorites and are mixtures of different rock fragments.

Recently, 50 grammes of NWA 7533 was acquired for analysis by the international team in which Professor Takashi Mikouchi at the University of Tokyo participated.

"The results led our team to draw some exciting conclusions," said Mikouchi in a paper published in the journal *Science Advances*.

It's well known to planetary scientists that there has been water on Mars for at least 3.7 billion years. But from the mineral composition of the meteorite, Mikouchi and his team revealed that it is likely there was water present much earlier, at around 4.4 billion years ago.

**SAVED BY THE TAIL**

Image shows a metro train that shot through a stop block at De Akkers metro station, in the Netherlands, on Monday. The train was saved from disaster, when it smashed through a safety barrier, but was prevented from plummeting into water by a sculpture of a whale tail. The driver of the train, who was the only person on board, was unharmed | AP

**FACT OF THE MATTER**

## Machu Picchu reopens

ARCHAEOLOGY

The Inca citadel of Machu Picchu, the crown jewel of Peru's tourist sites, reopened on Sunday after a nearly eight-month lockdown due to the novel coronavirus pandemic. For safety reasons, however, only 675 tourists will be able to access the site per day, just 30 per cent of the number of visitors pre-pandemic. Opening Machu Picchu to the world shows "that we Peruvians are resilient," Foreign Trade and Tourism Minister Rocio Barrios told *AFP*. Machu Picchu, which means old mountain in Quechua, is the most enduring legacy of the Inca empire that ruled a large swathe of western South America for 100 years before the Spanish conquest in the 16th century.

## CTA scans can detect Covid

Representative image

HEALTH CARE

Researchers have now claimed that computed tomography angiogram (CTA) scans may offer fast and early detection of Covid-19 in acute ischemic stroke (AIS) patients. The study, published in the journal *Stroke*, a journal of the American Stroke Association, found that routine or standard care CTA scans were an accurate screening method for faster detection of Covid-19 since they include imaging of the upper portion of the lungs. "Conducting a CTA is already part of the stroke management process, and these scans provide an opportunity to assess the lungs for signs suggestive of Covid-19," said study author Charles Esenwa from Albert Einstein College of Medicine in the US.

GREEN NINJAS

# *Gardeners plucking tree saplings from the spirals of Angkor Wat to save the monument*

ARCHAEOLOGY

SIEM REAP: Stacking a ladder against the towering spires of Cambodia's archaeological marvel Angkor Wat, Chhoeurm Try gingerly scales the temple's exterior to hack away foliage before it damages the ancient facade.

The 50-year-old is part of a crack team of gardeners ensuring the kingdom's most valued heritage site is not strangled by overgrown tree saplings sprouting from the sandstone's cracks. For two decades, Chhoeurm Try has made the treacherous climbs barefoot up to Angkor Wat's central tower, which rises 65 metres high above the archaeological complex in the northern city of Siem Reap.

"If we make a mistake, we will not survive," he tells *AFP* after returning to the ground.

But he soldiers on, aware that the fight to hack away tough roots is an ongoing battle against nature.

"When the sapling trees grow bigger, their roots go deep and cause the stones to fall apart," he says.

Preserving the dozens of temples at Angkor Archaeological Park is a delicate year-round job taken on by the 30-member team.

The world heritage site contains monuments dating from the 9th to 15th century, and was Cambodia's most popular tourist destination before the coronavirus pandemic seized up global travel.

"We love and want to preserve the temples," Chhoeurm Try says. "If we don't preserve them... the younger generation would not get a chance to see them."

With just blue hard hats as their only safety precaution,

A gardener climbing along the exterior of the Angkor Wat temple to locate tree saplings to remove | AFP

the gardening team are used to performing their duties under the gaze of visiting tourists.

"When local and international tourists see us climb up the temples, it seems scary to them and they think there is a lack of technique," says team leader Ngin Thy.

But using ropes or climbing gear is out of the question, as it could damage the fragile stone work, while scaffolding would take weeks to build and pull down.

"It could cause problems for them instead," Ngin Thy tells *AFP*. "It is safer for them to just carry a pair of scissors and go straight for the sapling trees."

There are also tight sections in certain temples that require workers to crawl through, navigating their way around jutting sculptures as they attempt not to unnecessarily come into contact with the friezes.

"At temples with brick work, the job is even more difficult," Chhourm Try says, recounting a near miss a few years ago when a brick fell on his head and cracked his helmet into two.

Leaving the temples unmanicured could bring back the vision French naturalist and explorer Henri Mouhot had encountered in the 1860s when he chanced upon the site.

It had been abandoned for centuries, its ancient stonework and carvings hidden under jungle growth.

Today the officials of Apsara Authority — a government body managing the park — says they are searching for a liquid substance to eliminate root growth, so as to lessen the risks to the gardeners. Until then, it is up to the nimble-footed gardeners to maintain the grandeur of Angkor Wat.

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**DAY'S DIARY**

## *Happy birthday*

One of the greatest economists and academicians in the world, Amartya Sen was born on this day in Santiniketan in 1933

**STUDIES**

He received his PhD in 1959. Sen's studies have included famines, to create a deeper understanding of the economic reasons behind famine and poverty

**PERSONAL EXPERIENCE**

Sen's interest in famine stemmed from personal experience. As a nine-year-old boy, he witnessed the Bengal famine of 1943, in which three million people perished

**AWARDS**

Sen received the Nobel Prize in Economics in 1998 for his contributions to welfare economics. He was awarded the Bharat Ratna in 1999

*Five directors come together for one film*

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Illustration: TAPAS RANJAN

### As all eyes remain on the presidential polls in the United States, Americans and NRIs living in Bengaluru anxiously look forward to the D-day proceedings

# POLLS APART



**The voting process began in advance with the pandemic having hit the world. Friends back home are equally concerned about what the results are going to be like**

—**Frances Rao,** expat

**Vidya Iyengar**

Donald Trump or Joe Biden? This is the question on the minds of several people around the globe. Discussions world-over have steered from the raging pandemic to the possible outcome and implications of the US presidential polls. Americans and NRIs in the city, who have been debating and discussing the various permutations and combinations of the next president of the United States of America, wonder if it will be a nail-biting finish.

Unlike the previous elections, when Meredith Mehra watched the presidential elections live at Hard Rock Cafe, this time she will be at her workplace at the Canadian International School, where she plans to keep track of the election returns. "There is a lot of engagement this year, because people have understood the importance of this election. There is a lot of controversy, but the country needs to come together soon," says Mehra, who hails from the East Coast in Boston, and has now been in India for the last 12 years. Back with family in the US, they steer clear of discussing politics, owing to different preferences. "But I do have some friends here with whom we have been discussing possible outcomes," she adds.

All eyes seem to be on this election, with the last four years having been an "exhaustive period", says Dr Viqar Syed, a second-generation American, who currently lives in Bengaluru. The cancer care entrepreneur and third-generation cancer specialist, recalls the last elections when they gathered at a city hotel where they watched the changing colours on the map as the counting progressed. Quite a social event in 2016, this time Syed is getting together with friends, most of whom are NRIs, to spend a couple of hours to discuss the proceedings which they will catch on television. "Never has there been this much interest in the US elections. Increasing number of voters have cast their vote this time," says Syed, who mailed his choice of candidate over a month ago. "From the waves it looks like Joe Biden has a lead, but we will know soon," he says.

Frances Rao, who has been in Bengaluru since 1991, is anxious about the outcome, with news reports pointing out that results could be delayed due to a number of voters mailing their ballots by post. "The voting process began in advance with the pandemic having hit the world. Friends back home are equally concerned about what the results are going to be like," says Rao, who originally belongs to Washington DC. Like Mehra, Rao too watched the nail-biting 2016 elections at the cafe on St Marks Road, but this time she plans to watch it independently at her home in Whitefield.

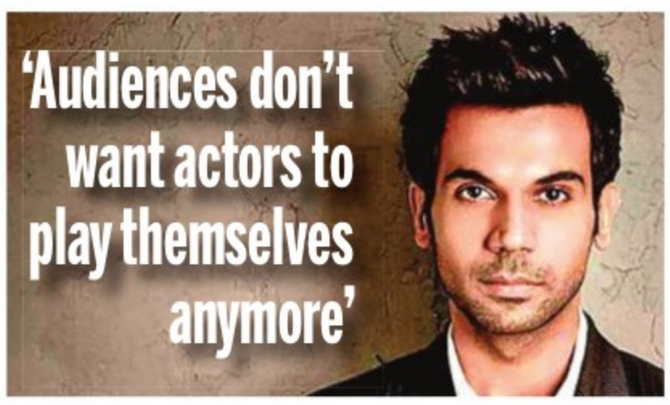
Much could change even at the last minute, just like it did the last time when it appeared that Hillary Clinton was leading. Which is why Bhogesh Reddy, a retired professional, who had a consulting company in New Jersey, prefers to wait and watch the outcome without jumping the gun. "We have no idea of what is going to happen although there are some pointers towards Biden's win. I will probably just stay home, watch it on television, and hope for the best," he says.

### Small changes

Actress Shraddha Srinath has always been vocal about leading a sustainable lifestyle. Recently, the actress shared a change that she included in her life. The actress wrote on her Instagram page, "Now, I carry four bottles (of 1ltr each) from home to whichever city I go to. I fill them up at my hotel and carry them to the shoot everyday. You too can try this stunt at home."

### For the Birthday boy

It was Shah Rukh Khan's birthday on Sunday, and for Priyamani, it wouldn't have been complete without wishing the Bollywood star on the big occasion. The city actor, who was seen with Khan in the *Get on the dance floor* song in Deepika Padukone-starrer *Chennai Express*, posted a picture of the two of them together on her Instagram handle.




**Express Features**

I'm just an actor who is blessed." This was Rajkummar Rao's simple reply when asked whether he feels like an insider or an outsider in Bollywood, a decade after making his debut. The actor's upcoming films include *Chhalaang* and *Ludo* that are set for release. "The characters in both films are different from each other — they talk differently, they look different. I find it exciting because the audiences can see an actor do something one day and then do something entirely different the next," he said about his two big releases, in a Time Pass conversation, a series of webinars arranged by *The New Indian Express*, and hosted by senior journalist Kaveree Bamzai. Rajkummar's excitement is also fuelled by how he has got to work with those he admires a lot. While *Chhalaang*, a sports comedy-drama, is directed by Hansal Mehta and produced by Luv Ranjan, *Ludo*, a crime comedy, is directed by Anurag Basu, someone who Rajkummar fondly calls 'dada'.

TIME PASS

On *Ludo*, he said he has "played out of the crease" and that he went "full-on". Rajkummar, who appears in a new look in the film, said Basu was very receptive to his ideas. "We were doing a look test and trying different hair patches, and all of a sudden, dada said I looked a lot like Mithunda (Mithun Chakraborty). So, we thought, why not?" Rajkummar is known for changing himself physically to match characters, and when asked about it, he said he does it to make the film more exciting for him as an actor. For *Chhalaang*, he had to get back in touch with his Haryanvi side. "Haryana is home ground. I am familiar with this world and with these characters. So, I knew the language, but I was out of touch for a couple of years."

He concluded the interview by answering that the Hindi cinema narrative has progressed a lot. "The audiences have evolved. They now have access to all kinds of cinema from across the world, and they are expecting the same from us. They are looking at *Baahubali* and ask why we can't make such a film. The makers have realised that they can't keep selling the same stories in different packages. Audiences want the actors to play characters on screen rather than playing themselves. That's why I, and other actors like Ayushmann, Vicky Kaushal, Ranbir, Karthik, are looking to push boundaries."

Artwork: Appupen

### With characters like PropaGandhi and VigilAunty, and a plot that involves a 'Cowvid' pandemic, Appupen's new comic series comes with a generous sprinkling of satirism

# SOLD ON SATIRE

**Simran Ahuja**

In a world struggling with a pandemic and a dismal state of socio-political affairs, George Mathen seems to have found a haven of sorts. The city-based graphic novelist, who is popularly known as **Appupen**, has spent the last couple of months working on the second instalment of his popular comic series, *Rashtrayana*, which, like his other works, takes place in his fictional dimension of Halahala. Called *Rashtrayana II: Divide and Fool*, the comic series will be released on Brainded India over the coming weeks till Dec. 31.

The "totalitarian adventure" plays out in the fictional nation of Rashtria, which has been reeling under the authoritarian regime of Rashtraman (Mathen's saffron cloak wearing superhero, who is also the star of the satire series). Back in action are also his crew of sidekicks, who featured in the first instalment called *Rashtrayana: Trouble in Paradesh* that was released in 2018. They include Cowboy (half-man, calf-god), PropaGandhi (the father of propaganda or as Mathen calls him, "Rashtraman's PR team"), VigilAunty (the torchbearer of Rashtrian values and traditions), and Lady Justis (who no longer has a blindfold). The team is joined by new sidekicks from cricket and movies, enter Batmanu and Action Kumar, as they hitch a plan to save (read annexe) Cowrashtra by spreading talk of a 'Cowvid' pandemic. Hope, however, remains too, with a new order being formed – an abandoned league of radicals, rebels, leaders, and loners who abhor this new idea of nationhood.

"I didn't just want to focus on the comic, I wanted a strong story element too. And if you look at the last 2-3 years, you'd see similar trends in many parts of the world. If you zoom out, the larger agenda is always about power and control, be it through religion or business," says the artist, who prefers to be called Appupen. He adds, "The comic has to make sense to people outside the country or 10 years later too. It's only art for me when it's able to achieve that."

Interestingly, while everyone raves about Captain America and Batman, Appupen is vehemently against superheroes. And yet his series is full of them. "I think they are poster boys used to push forth different agendas and we have a tendency to glorify superheroes in our comics. So that's why I decided to use satire to present these characters in new light," explains the 41-year-old, who is often asked if Rashtraman is good or bad. "I'm not going to answer that," he laughs, as he adds, "There are instances where some right-winged social media pages share my comics, not realising it is satire."

The past few months have had him grasp firmly at every chance of escape to his fictional world. "It's not going to change anything in the real world but you can always believe things will change in the story," says the artist who has been creating the mythology of Halahala since 2005 and has previously published graphic novels like *Moonward, Legends of Halahala* and *Aspyrus*.

### EXPRESS POETRY CONTEST 2020

Bengaluru City Express and HarperCollins present 'Express Poetry Contest 2020'. The competition is open to people of all ages and the poem should be in English and under 40 lines. An eminent panel of judges, including former DGP and poet Jija Harisingh will adjudge. Top three winners get to take home Google Mini (sponsored by Kara4Kids), JBL portable Bluetooth speaker (sponsored by Canadian International School), and complimentary one-year subscription to TNIE, respectively, besides a certificate of recognition. In addition, each winner will be presented a book by HarperCollins. The winning submissions will also be published in The New Indian Express.

**CONDITIONS APPLY**

Email your entries to bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com, with the subject line: Poetry competition.

- Last date for submission is Nov. 3
- Entry open to Bengaluru residents only.
- Works should be original, unpublished, and restricted to one entry per person.
- Include your name, address and contact number

Results to be announced on Nov. 12

### CITY READ

### Online programme to help Covid patients

Elets Group and Mylan Pharmaceuticals launched Panacea – a 6-month-long programme for Covid-19 patients and Covid-19 survivors on Friday. The campaign is bringing together nutritionists, psychiatrists and Yoga instructors on a virtual platform to instruct, teach and advise people, especially those who are suffering from Covid-19 or those have recovered. Supported by Mylan and Uttar Pradesh Ayush Society, it will be accessible to attendees for free. To register, visit panacea.eletsonline.com

## MUSICAL NIGHT

Singer Raghu Dixit known for taking Kannada songs to the global audience, will be making his fans groove to some of his best collection of songs in an online live event.
**When:** Nov 8
**For more details:** Bookmyshow

## TANDOORI ZINGER

Adding more flavour to the festive season is KFC India with the all new and special Tandoori Zinger Burger. Made with an extra crispy fillet of KFC's signature chicken, layered with fresh lettuce & creamy mayo – the Tandoori Zinger is packed with a unique tandoori flavoured sauce, making it the perfect companion for celebrations with friends & family.
**Available at:** all KFC outlets

## SWEET TREAT

Magnolia Bakery's limited edition of Diwali goodies aims to spark joy this festive season for you. Chocolate Chunk Cookies, Sea Salt Caramel Cookies and many other treats are available as Diwali gift options.
**Where:** Magnolia bakery, Indiranagar
**When:** Till Dec 31

## FESTIVE COLLECTION

Evoluzione presents Twinkle Hanspal's latest festive collection 'a la maison', a carnival of joys at home. This collection has an exclusive curation of jumpsuits, saris, dress sets, sharara, embroidered belts, lehenga and more. **For details, call:** 9500028810 or 9884265292

**CONCERTS** Banyan Tree Events presents the second digital series of Barkha Ritu festival. **Till November 4** on Shaale.com (Website and App)

### The royal feel

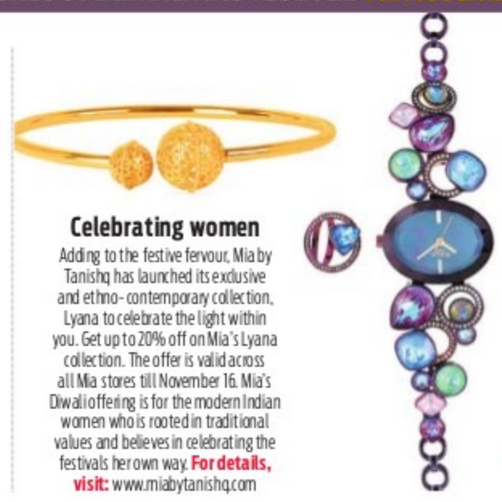
Bindani's Fall Winter 2020 Collection, Rani Sa, commemorates an era of comfort and elegance. Millennial brides regale in the sassy, free willing luxury of the awe-inspiring colours and extraordinary silhouette. Rani Sa is an ode to royal quintessence that will overwhelm you.
**Available on:** www.instagram.com/bindaniofficial

### Ethnic equation

Rubans Accessories has launched an exclusive collection of ethnic jewellery for the festive season. The collection includes a curated selection of kundan, oxidised, temple-inspired and stone-studded pieces. Intricately designed neckpieces, handcrafted earrings, stunning rings, signature bangles and much more – this bespoke collection has the right pieces for every celebration. Price starts from `237 to `15,590. **Available on:** www.rubans.in

### Donuts for diwali

This Diwali, deliver happiness with Mad Over Donuts' festive donuts. On the menu are Divine Motichoor, Delightful Katli and Soanpapdi Pataka. They will be available for order through Swiggy and Zomato, and also Mad Over Donuts' stores till Novemebr17.



### Celebrating women

Adding to the festive fervour, Mia by Tanishq has launched its exclusive and ethno- contemporary collection, Lyana to celebrate the light within you. Get up to 20% off on Mia's Lyana collection. The offer is valid across all Mia stores till November 16. Mia's Diwali offering is for the modern Indian women who is rooted in traditional values and believes in celebrating the festivals her own way. **For details, visit:** www.miabytanishq.com

### Moments of joy

Celebrating women's individuality and strength at its core, Raga by Titan announces the launch of 'Moments of Joy', a collection comprising contemporary timepieces with unique design elements. The new line comprise of 14 exquisitely designed watches featuring exclusively designed Swarovski crystals in fluid shapes and pastel tones making it a stylish watch accessory for this festive season. Priced from `5,495 to `19,995. **Available at:** World of Titan stores, Helios, and online stores.

### Lucky Draw

With the festivities right around the corner, get ready to spoil yourself with at Phoenix Festival Season 4. For people shopping above ₹50,000 can get a chance to win prizes ₹50 lakh and assured gifts like gold coins, mobile phones, Swarovski products, TV, and refrigerator amongst others
**Where:** Phoenix Marketcity
**When:** Till Dec 31

## QUICK FIX

### What's cooking

**IN YOUR KITCHEN?**
We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at cityexpresschn@gmail.com.

### HOMEMADE CHICKEN TIKKA

**INGREDIENTS**

- **Chicken breasts:** 1 kg (cut into bite-sized pieces) ■ Juice of two lemons ■ **Salt**

**For marinade**

- **Plain yogurt:** 250 ml (1 cup)
- **Garlic puree:** 2 tbsp
- **Ginger puree, ground cumin, ground coriander, ground black pepper, citric acid powder, turmeric powder:** 1 tsp
- **Salt:** 1 tsp ■ **Green chilles:** 2
- **Coriander leaves:** 1 bunch, finely chopped

**METHOD**

- Place the chicken pieces in a large bowl and squeeze the lemon juice. Sprinkle little salt.
- Whisk the ingredients for marination and pour it over the chicken.
- Coat the chicken pieces in the mixture. Let them marinate for six to 48 hours. If you don't have time, even 30 minutes is good.
- Light a gas barbecue. Begin grilling when the heat is enough to let you hold your hand two inches above it.
- Cook chicken on skewers turning occasionally.

**— Sanjana Mukherjee, New Delhi**

## SOUND BOARD

**THEN WHAT ELSE?**
Comedians Chitan and Sarvesh invite other artists to talk about anything and everything under the sun, until of course, one of them runs out of things to say and responds with the inevitable "Alright... then what else?"
● On Apple Podcasts

**THE RAZOR'S EDGE**
Hosted by trader Akram's Razor, trader and Daniel Shvartsman, a long-time editor and director for Seeking Alpha – this is an investing podcast that combines a prop trader's viewpoint and deep-dive fundamental research to provide a unique take on the markets.
● On Stitcher

**BELLWETHERS PODCAST**
Bellwethers Podcast aims to enlighten minds with featuring some leaders, entrepreneurs and influencors from all around the world and share stories of how they achieved what every one else thought was impossible.
● On Spotify

**WHAT'S ESSENTIAL**
Host Greg McKeown has conversations – sometimes with thought leaders, sometimes with celebrities, and often with people like you and me – to understand what they want to prioritise and help them apply Essentialism to achieve their goals in real life.
● On Apple Podcasts

**ALMOST 30**
Friends Krista Williams and Lindsey Simcik, dive deep into topics like modern spirituality to health and wellness, aliens to entrepreneurship, social justice, and self development.
● On Apple Podcasts

## POPULAR ON YOUTUBE

**RAMA RAMA RE...**
An escaped death row convict ends up taking a road trip with an old man on a personal mission and a young couple trying to elope.
● Cast: K Jayaram, Nataraj, Dharmanna Kadur

**DHOL**
Guru falls in love with Priya, who is the sister of a wealthy industrialist, Nanda. When Nanda learns about Guru, he is furious and tries to separate him from his sister.
● Cast: Yogesh, Aindrita Ray, Prakash Raj

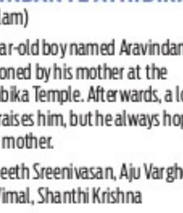
**SHRAVANI SUBRAMANYA**
When Shravani finds out that her boyfriend, Sudeep, is a thug, she attempts to escape from his clutches. Subramanya, a budding singer, tries to save her from Sudeep.
● Cast: Ganesh, Amulya

**POIKKAL KUTHIRAI**
Sambandam makes a bet with Indu on whether or not he will marry his daughter. If Sambandam loses, he must shave half of his moustache, whereas if Indu loses, he has to shave off his head.
● Cast: Kamal Haasan, Viji, Vaali, Ramakrishnan

Scan this QR code to find out how your favourite celebs are coping with the lockdown.

## WHAT'S ON TED TALKS

**1 CAN YOU SOLVE THE THREE GODS RIDDLE? BY ALEX GENDLER**
You and your team have crash-landed on an ancient planet. Can you appease the three alien overlords who rule it and get your team safely home? Created by logician Raymond Smullyan, and popularised by his colleague George Boolos, this riddle has been called the hardest logic puzzle ever. Alex Gendler shows how to solve it.



**2 HOW WAR WEAKENS NATIONAL IMMUNE SYSTEMS**
Conflict weakens national immune systems, leading to catastrophic public health emergencies. People lose access to shelter, food, clean water, sanitation and healthcare, making them far more susceptible to deadly diseases. Doctors Without Borders show how outbreaks of infections can devastate already war-torn communities.

**3 10 THINGS YOU DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT ORGASM BY MARY ROACH**
"Bonk" author Mary Roach delves into obscure scientific research, some of it centuries old, to make 10 surprising claims about sexual climax, ranging from the bizarre to the hilarious.

**4 MY STROKE OF INSIGHT BY JIL BOLTE TAYLOR**
Jill Bolte Taylor got a research opportunity that few brain scientists would wish for: She had a massive stroke, and watched as her brain functions – motion, speech, self-awareness – shut down one by one. An astonishing story.

**5 THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU REPLY TO SPAM MAIL BY JAMES VEITCH**
Suspicious emails: unclaimed insurance bonds, diamond-encrusted safe deposit boxes, close friends marooned in a foreign country. They pop up in our inboxes, and standard procedure is to delete on sight. But what happens when you reply? Follow along as writer and comedian James Veitch narrates a hilarious, weeks-long exchange with a spammer who offered to cut him in on a hot deal.

## FIT BIT

### KUBERA MUDRA
(HAND GESTURE)

Kubera is a Hindu demi-god of riches. In Sanskrit, 'mudra' means 'gesture'. This is a hand gesture (hasta mudra) used to focus on abundance and prosperity – both spiritual and physical. Each finger has a symbolic significance: thumb – forcefulness, index finger – knowledge and growth, and middle finger – stability and justice. By bringing these fingers together, energy transmits into the universe, bringing about the desired abundance or fulfilling a wish. It builds confidence and self-esteem, energises the mind, boosts metabolism and promotes empowerment.

**STEPS**

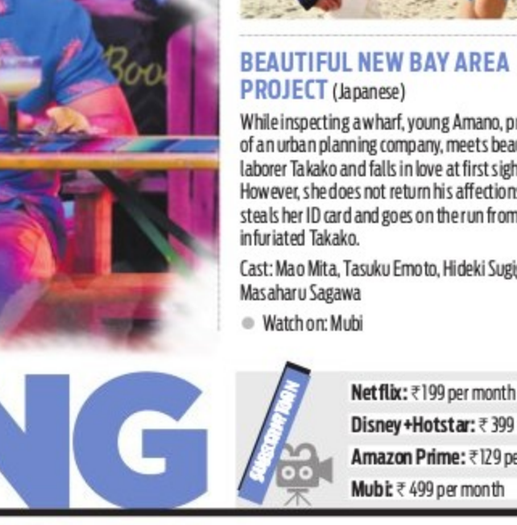
- Sit comfortably in Padmasana or Sukhasana or Veerasana.
- Your eyes can be closed or open. If you choose to keep your eyes open, fix your gaze at one point. Breathe deeply and bring your focus on breathing.
- If you close your eyes, you will be more focussed.
- Keep your hands on your thighs. Bring the tip of your index and middle fingers against the tip of the thumb. Point them up and press gently so you can feel the contact.
- Curl your ring and little fingers towards the the palm.
- This allows the energy to move upwards. When you keep your focus on it throughout the whole practise, it brings a calming sensation in the body.
- After 10 to 15 minutes, slowly release the mudra. Flat your fingers and come out of the pose.

**BENEFITS**

- Connected with the joy of life.
- Harnesses the memory and allows you to regain lost focus and concentration.
- Showers the practitioner with confidence and peacefulness.
- Revitalises the energy to overcome obstacles in life.
- Deep breathing helps in delivering the oxygenated blood to the prefrontal cortex of the brain for better focus to accomplish and cultivate the fruits of this mudra.
- Practising this while imagining the goal brings in universal energy, which helps in reaching the goal at a faster pace.
- According to Ayurveda, practising it, increases the Vata in the body.

**LIMITATIONS**

- All mudras are beneficial to us and have no side-effects. But no pressure should be applied on the finger. The mind should be stable.



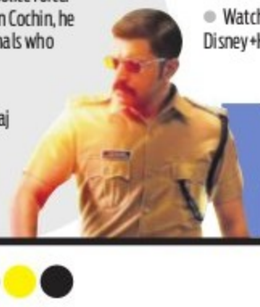
*– by N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai*

## NOW STREAMING

### REGIONAL

**BHEEMASENA NALAMAHARAJA** (Kannada)
A pinch of love, a dollop of happiness with a scoop of togetherness. Join this cook on a flavorsome journey of love, loss and friendship. When tragedy sizzles through his life, it is to see if he can save the dish and toss a sweet ending.
● Cast: Aravinnd Iyer, Achutha Kumar, Aarohi Narayan
● Watch on: Amazon Prime
● Registration: ₹129 per month

**ACTION HERO BIJU** (Malayalam)
Biju Poulose leaves his teaching job to pursue his dream of serving in the police force. Posted as the sub-inspector in Cochin, he has to handle notorious criminals who indulge in unlawful activities.
Cast: Nivin Pauly, Anu Emmanuel, Joju George, Suraj Venjaramoodu
● Watch on: Disney+Hotstar



**MAHARSHI** (Telugu)
Rishi, a rich businessman, returns to India to mend ways with Ravi, his ex-classmate. On reaching, he learns about Ravi's plight and becomes a saviour for the villagers in the process.
Cast: Mahesh Babu, Pooja Hegde, Allari Naresh, Prakash Raj
● Watch on: Amazon Prime

**RAID** (Hindi)
After receiving an anonymous tip, Amay Patnaik, a senior income tax officer, begins an investigation on an influential man in Lucknow for money laundering.
Cast: Ajay Devgn, Ileana D'Cruz, Saurabh Shukhla, Sulagna Panigrahi
● Watch on: Disney+Hotstar

**TAISH** (Hindi)
Rohan Kalra and Sunny Lalwani are best friends. Sunny goes to attend Rohan's younger brother Krish's wedding in UK. Somewhere else in the dark grimy corners of South Hall London, a violent criminal family of moneylenders is headed by Kuljinder. A secret connected to Rohan and Kuljinder kick starts a chain of violence.
Cast: Pulkit Samrat, Kriti Kharbanda, Jim Sarbh,
● Watch on: Zee 5

*All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.*

**ARAVINDANTE ATHIDIKAL** (Malayalam)
A five-year-old boy named Aravindan is abandoned by his mother at the Mookambika Temple. Afterwards, a local hotelier raises him, but he always hopes to meet his mother.
Cast: Vineeth Sreenivasan, Aju Varghese, Nikhila Vimal, Shanthi Krishna
● Watch on: Disney+Hotstar



**WEEKEND** (Kannada)
A group of friends, who are working in a private IT company, love to travel outside Bengaluru every weekend to beat the work stress. But Ajay, who works in the same company, believes in following different values in life.
● Cast: Milind, Anant Nag, Sanjana Burli
● Watch on: Amazon Prime
● Registration: ₹129 per month

### FOREIGN

**THE SHAPE OF WATER** (English)
Elisa, a lonely janitor, stumbles upon an amphibious creature that is held captive in a secret research facility. She then develops a unique relationship with the creature.
Cast: Sally Hawkins, Doug Jones, Michael Shannon, Octavia Spencer
● Watch on: Disney+Hotstar

**HOLIDATE** (English)
Fed up with being single on holidays, two strangers agree to be each other's platonic plus-ones all year long, only to catch real feelings along the way.
Cast: Emma Roberts, Jessica Capshaw, Luke Bracey, Jake Manley
● Watch on: Netflix

**PAULINE AT THE BEACH** (French)
Marion is about to divorce from her husband and takes her 15-year-old niece Pauline on a vacation to Normandy. There, the two navigate the men around them. Marion runs into her old flame Pierre and attempts to set him up with Pauline, while she starts a liaison with middle-aged Henri.
Cast: Amanda Langlet, Arielle Dombasle, Pascal Greggory, Feodor Atkine
● Watch on: Mubi

**BEAUTIFUL NEW BAY AREA PROJECT** (Japanese)
While inspecting a wharf, young Amano, president of an urban planning company, meets beautiful laborer Takako and falls in love at first sight. However, she does not return his affections, so he steals her ID card and goes on the run from the infuriated Takako.
Cast: Mao Mita, Tasuku Emoto, Hideki Sugiguchi, Masaharu Sagawa
● Watch on: Mubi

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# Sibling synergy

**This athleisure brand launched by Bengaluru sisters is a student-run business that focuses on casual fashion created in a sustainable way**

Vidya Iyengar

When Ria (20) and Shreya Mittal (18) found themselves with a lot of time on hand over the last seven months, the sisters started browsing through outfits they could purchase. But much to their surprise, their outfit preferences were available on international websites. "Indian brands were mostly into fast fashion, with quality sometimes lacking. This trend is very fitting in the 'new' normal as work-from-home culture takes centre stage, and casual comfortable and fashionable products become the need of the hour," says Ria, a final year fashion management student in the United Kingdom.

Last month, after weeks of planning and preparation, the two launched their athleisure brand – CAVA, that comprises causal clothes that move with ease from WFH to informal business meets and small casual gatherings. "It's about clothes you can wear anywhere in the current scenario and look chic and stylish," says Shreya, a Class-12 student at Mallya Aditi International School. Their target audience is in the age group of 15 and 35 years, which is why they've decided to get youngsters on board for this. "The collaboration with our designer came about through LinkedIn. We want to make this a student-run business," says Ria.

A strong base of a family background in garment business gave them the backing in terms of their idea as well as the nitty-gritty of business. "We did multiple presentations for our family, which has invested ₹8-10 lakh into this venture, before we took the plunge," says Ria. The name, CAVA, means a Spanish sparkling wine made the same way as champagne, which they thought had a ring to it. Marketed and sold through social media channels, their brand will focus on sustainability. "We use 100 per cent recycled polyester and BCI (Better cotton initiative ) fabrics which conservers water and other vital resources," says Shreya. The products are priced between ₹800 and ₹2,500.

Ria (left), and Shreya Mittal

Ria, who looks after design and promotion, currently coordinates the business from the UK where she returned a month ago. "I plan to come back after I finish my course to see where we can take the brand in the next couple of years," she says. Next year, Shreya, who is into logistics, packing and social media, too plans to head to the UK to study business and digital marketing.

Over the last few months, they have realised the challenges of running a business. While they themselves have run into arguments – the reason for separate responsibilities – they now understand the effort that goes into the manufacturing of a single garment. "I told my dad that I now understand how much effort goes into making money," says Ria. For Shreya, the biggest learning has been experiencing Murphy's law... anything that can go wrong will go wrong. "But when we talk to our parents, they say this is a part and parcel of business," says Shreya.

# The world is a canvas

**City-based brand aims at providing a canvas for children to express their creativity, while also making it a commercially-viable charity initiative**

Steni Simon

Everybody loves to see a little bit of art on everything – what we wear or where we live. Now, what if that involves a child's creativity? The Talking Canvas, a Bengaluru-based brand, is providing a canvas for children to express their creativity, while also making it a commercially-viable charitable initiative.

Co-founded by Anusha Stephen and Gisha Stephen, the project started two years ago, aiming to provide a platform to kids so that they can enhance, inspire as well as showcase their creativity. "Both my sister and I have always been creatively inclined. I noticed the benefits of art and creativity at my corporate workplace too. This inspired me to come out with this platform," says founder-CEO Anusha.

Two years ago, Anusha left behind her corporate job to plunge into the world of art. Gisha, the co-founder, comes with experience in graphic design and advertising spanning 20 years.

The online brand sells DIY T-shirts that feature hand-drawn artworks by kids. The design team refines them before the shirts are printed. Also on offer are DIY art kits and doodle courses and contests done in collaboration with leading names from the art field. The one-and-a-half month-long doodle course also includes video-based art sessions.

Kids from metro cities as well as Jaipur and Lucknow participate in the doodle course and contests. Even though they largely sell online and through their website, they also sell through Toys "R" Us, a global toy store chain. "In the coming months, we are planning to do two more DIY art kits for kids," says Anusha.

The designs range from distorted or disfigured images of animals and fairies. The products also include stuffed toys which are hand-painted by kids. In addition to inspiring young artists, they also work towards empowering the underprivileged children, providing them with the art materials to follow their passion.

> **"The idea is not just limited to colouring, but also focuses on how kids imagine, so that we can push their creativity and bring it out on canvas. In the coming months, we are planning to do two more DIY art kits for kids**
> —Anusha Stephen, co-founder, The Talking Canvas

# CREATING HEAVEN RIGHT HERE, RIGHT NOW

There is a joke doing the rounds about an architect dying and going to Hell. He is received by Yama, the god of death, believed to be the final judge on the destination of souls.

Shocked at the terrible state of Hell, the architect — being an architect — cannot resist the temptations of making changes to make Hell a better place to live in (or rather RIP in). He asks Yama for a pencil and paper, which is granted to him, and he starts drawing designs. Hell being hell, there were no comforts whatsoever. What the Hell!

But the architect's efforts in transforming the place soon result in Hell being equipped with central air-conditioning, fresh water, luxurious rooms, good lighting, toilets with flushes, and escalators. The hapless souls in Hell suddenly have access to all these comforts. The hell of an architect becomes pretty popular in Hell, and a favourite of Yama, too!

God, in Heaven, hears about Hell's progress thanks to the architect's efforts and approaches Yama. He says, "We have had a mix-up. I was checking the records and discovered that by error an architect got sent to Hell. He should have come to Heaven. All architects go to Heaven. You need to transfer him up here."

Yama is reluctant as the architect's works have improved the conditions in Hell. God threatens to sue Yama, who says: "But where are you going to find lawyers in Heaven?!"

There are reams and reams of jokes about what kind of people "go to Heaven or Hell", and about occurrences "up there" and "down there". While the jokes may evoke laughter, it is we, the living humans, who in a way assume the power of passing judgments, even if it is meant to be in a lighter vein.

We the living, while we are living, are told and convinced about the "beautiful" Heaven and the "terrible" Hell, and that the quality of our deeds in life would determine which of these "places" we would end up in after death – basically, the "carrot or stick" strategy at work. If you are good, it's Heaven; or Hell awaits you. Good kids get chocolates; the bad kids get whip-lashed! The concept of Heaven and Hell are made known to the living – only the living, right from childhood onwards, imprinted on our minds like lasting impressions on hardened concrete that was once soft.

So deep are these impressions, that we wait for death to "reach" these "places" – preferably Heaven rather than Hell – rather than transforming our Earth itself into Heaven, here and now, instead of letting Hell-like conditions prevail in our world. Something similar to what the architect did in Hell.

But we don't need a pencil and paper to redesign our world into a Heaven. We need to remember the message of Rabindranath Tagore through his poem, and attempt its implementation:

*"Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high,*
*Where knowledge is free,*
*Where the world has not been broken up into fragments*
*By narrow domestic walls;*
*Where words come out from the depth of truth,*
*Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection;*
*Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way*
*Into the dreary desert sand of dead habit,*
*Where the mind is led forward by thee*
*Into ever-widening thought and action;*
*Into that heaven of freedom, my Father, let my country awake."*

That could do all of us a World of Good!

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## CITY READ

### Hospital launches heart check-up campaign

Manipal Hospitals, Jayanagar, is conducting a health check-up campaign for screening vital cardiac parameters of patients at their doorstep. During the campaign, the hospital will be dispatching special vans where patients can check their blood pressure, Holter monitoring, etc. It was started at the office of Bangalore South MP, Tejasvi Surya, at Jayanagar on Saturday.

### Karate association elects new chairman

In a meeting held by Karnataka Karate Do Sports Association, Renshi VK Rajshekar was elected as the Chairman of the association, while Hanshi Praveen Ranka was chosen as the President on October 31. Both Rajshekar and Ranka have served in the field of Karate for more than 40 years.

# Calling out contempt

Among the four horsemen that American psychological researcher John Gottman describes as signs of impending separation among people in relationships, he puts special emphasis on contempt. The other three are criticism, defensiveness and stonewalling, all of which lead to breakdown of communication and make life difficult for the people in the relationship, but contempt deserves a special space. In fact, Gottman said with some confidence based on the research in their marriage labs, that contempt by itself is a clear indication that the couple was headed to a breaking point within the year or so.

In love, there needs to be no space for contempt, and yet we find it all the time between people who otherwise claim to love each other. Feeling contempt is the antithesis of feeling respect, and anyone experiencing any kind of contempt will likely immediately feel disrespected and once you feel the disrespect, it is hard to feel that open space within which to engage. Sadly though, contempt is par for the course for a number of relationships, especially where there is very specific gender roles or socially sanctioned restrictions.

Recently, with the #MeToo movement and so much more, quite a few public figures have been talking even in public spaces and social media about their biases and prejudices. Some personalities who had enjoyed fairly high regard for the roles they have played in public programmes, when they talk now with a lot of biases against one set of people, it is difficult to separate what is bias and what is contempt. In social media, outraged citizens have been talking about this and speculating how it must be for people in more intimate relationships with such people when the general public themselves feel so disrespected and held in such deep contempt that they are so angry and upset.

Thing is, contempt in intimate relationships is not a general sense of disrespect based on an overall social sense of morals or ethics. It is entirely possible that all the people in the relationship share the same bias or prejudice, and they may not feel any disrespect at all – in such a situation, they might actually feel disrespected if they are pushed to embrace a different way of life.

Imagine a household where one person talks about another person not going out to work and earn money. That by itself may not be an issue, if the other person also believes that is how relationships work. The challenge comes with the tone, the demeanour and everything else -- if there is disdain and derision, unending sarcasm and depersonalising, then the contempt is undeniable and even where values match, the contempt comes through and is experienced deeply and personally. Contempt comes from a vile and judgmental place where one's worth has been judged unilaterally and there is no real space for discussion or negotiation. There is very little to do when faced by a person who is looking down their nose at you than get very angry or just disconnect.

Most times, we meet contempt with disconnection.

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# Five renowned Kannada film directors come together for a commercial entertainer

**Yogaraj Bhat, K M Chaitanya Shashank, Jayatheertha and Pawan Kumar will be teaming up for a 2-hour film, which they plan to complete by December**

Yogaraj Bhat

K M Chaitanya

Shashank

Jayatheertha

Pawan Kumar

**A Sharadhaa**

Five well-known directors of the Kannada film industry — Yogaraj Bhat, K M Chaitanya, Shashank, Jayatheertha and Pawan Kumar -- are coming together to make a film. This will be the first-of-its-kind collaboration in Sandalwood, and the directors are not coming up with an anthology or an initiative-based subject. They will instead be teaming up for a pure commercial entertainer. This is said to be a project that was discussed during the lockdown period. According to a source, the preparation work is on, and the directors will soon begin the shooting, which they plan to complete by December-end. The production house bankrolling this film will soon be making an official announcement with more details, when they will will reveal about the subject, cast and technical crew.

Of late Bollywood and Tamil film industry have been experimenting with bringing a handful of directors in making a project for the silver screen or streaming platforms. The latest will be by Mani Ratnam and Jayendra Panchapakesan who are working on a Tamil anthology, *Navarasa* to be out on OTT. Last year saw the release of *Katha Sangama* in Kannada — an anthology led by Rishab Shetty that brought together seven directors, and technicians including cinematographer, and music directors. However, this time the Kannada directors are collaborating for a 2-hour entertainer, which is sure to stir up the curiosity of cine-goers.

A still from *Avatar Purusha*

**Director Suni and producer Pushkar Mallikarjunaiah come up with an out-of-the-box decision for their latest offering**

# Sharan's *Avatar Purusha* to be out in two parts

**CE Features**

The trend of films being released as 2-part series is getting popular in Sandalwood, and following the line of blockbuster films like *Baahubali* and *KGF Chapter 1 and 2*, and the yet-to-be-released *Kabza* and *Totapuri*, will be Suni's upcoming directorial, *Avatar Purusha*, The family entertainer, starring Sharan and Ashika Ranganath, is backed by producer Pushkar Mallikarjunaiah, and the makers say they felt that the content demanded that they take this decision. According to the director, *Avatar Purusha* was initially written for a web series, and they later planned to make it into a film. The team did not want to miss out on Sharan's audience, and at the same time, they wanted to experiment with new elements. This is one of the reasons for the film coming out in two parts. "The first part of A*vatar Purusha*, which will have the tag line, *Ashta Digbandana Mandalaka*, will bring Sharan's popular characterisation, blended with humour. The second part, which is captioned as *Trishanku*, will explore the magic elements, a plot that is less touched in Kannada films," says Suni, who is planning to have a screen time of 2 hours 20 minutes each.

Both parts of the film, which is currently in the last stage of shooting, will be completed this month, and the makers are working out to have a back-to-back release of part 1 and 2.

The production house is contemplating a release around Sankranthi. Along with the lead pairs, the cast of *Avatar Purusha* includes Sai Kumar, Sudharani and Bhavya, along with Kitty. The film's music has been composed by Arjun Janya while cinematography is by William David.

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> — **Suni**, director

# *Rathnan Prapancha* to go on floors on Nov. 9

**The first schedule of shooting of the comedy-drama starring Dhananjay and Reba Monica John, directed by Rohit Padaki and backed by KRG Studios, will begin in Mysuru**

**CE Features**

Dhananjay-starrer *Rathnan Prapancha*, KRG Studios's first production venture, will go on floors on Nov. 9. The film, directed by Rohit Padaki, will be the first collaboration of the actor and the director for a commercial entertainer. It will be jointly produced by Karthik Gowda and Yogi G Raj. The makers, who have finalised the shooting locations, will begin the first schedule in Mysuru, followed by Haveri. They plan to wrap up the shooting in Kashmir. Dhananjay, one of the busiest actors in Sandalwood currently, has completed shooting three projects -- a film directed by Jai Sankar, S Ravindranath's next project, and *Badavarascal*. He will next be joining the sets of *Rathnan Prapancha*. Rohit Padaki, who has come up with a comedy-drama that blends humour with emotions, has cast Dhananjay in the role of a common man. The film also features Reba Monica John as the female lead. For the actor, who is making her Kannada cinema debut in Rishi-starrer *Sakalakala Vallabha*, this will be her second outing. Apart from the lead actors, the production house has brought on board senior actor Umashree, who is back on the silver screen after five years. She will be seen in the role of a middle-class mother. The film has music by Ajaneesh B Lokanath and cinematography by Sreesha Kuduvalli, while editing will be handled by Deepu S Kumar. *Rathnan Prapancha* will also feature Pramod of *Premiere Padmini* fame in a major role.

A still from *Rathnan Prapancha*

# Patrick J Adams's *The Right Stuff* explores US space programme and politics

**CE Features**

Actor Patrick J. Adams says his historical series, *The Right Stuff*, narrates a story of character, conflicts, and politics.

The show explores the origins and growth of the space programme in the United States. Adams plays the late John Glenn, who was the first American to orbit Earth, circling it three times in 1962.

Asked about the existing conspiracy theories surrounding space exploration, Adams said: "Are you speaking specifically about conspiracy theories involving the moon landing? Because that's the one that I'm most familiar with. I think the great thing about what we're doing is that everyone, when they talk about the space program, they talk about the moon landing. It happened so quickly on the heels on the Mercury program. Mercury, Gemini, Apollo. Obviously we were on the moon in 1969. Or maybe not, if you believe conspiracy theories, which I do not."

*The Suits* star continued, "The point is that the story we're telling is a story that, by virtue of everything having moved so fast, and us getting to that monumental milestone of a moment of landing on the moon - that's what captured everyone's attention."

"Now when we look back at the space program, that's what we want to focus on, and it deserves to be focused on. It was an incredible story, and happened so, so quickly. But what got lost is the story that we're telling here," he added.

The show is based on a book by Tom Wolfe. The eight-episode season looks at the early days of the US Space Program and the story of the first astronauts, the Mercury 7.

"The show is about these seven guys and their families, and the people that were responsible for building NASA in the first place. These guys were really making it up as they went along, and in an incredibly dramatic race with a country that they were in the middle of a cold war with," he said, referring to the erstwhile Soviet Union.

# Rannvijay Singha essays a snarky professor in Netflix's *Mismatched*

**CE Features**

Rannvijay Singha plays a snarky yet charismatic professor in the upcoming Netflix series, *Mismatched*. In the show, Rannvijay's Professor Sid tries to get a bunch of teenagers to think out of the box and come up with an app idea.

Speaking about slipping into the role, Rannvijay said, "Cool and snarky on the outside but a softie inside, Professor Sid believes in tough love when it comes to his students. He wants to push them out of their comfort zones so that they can each reach their highest potential. To be honest, we've all had at least one teacher like that in our lives, so Sid has been inspired by many of mine. He may come across as uncaring, brash and sarcastic, but his intentions are noble."

# TRIPATHI TROUBLE

**Shilajit Mitra**

You would expect a grand intro shot for Pankaj Tripathi in *Mirzapur Season 2*. Instead, he's staring bluntly at the camera, frowning wearily. His expression hovers between bewilderment and confusion. Perhaps he's baffled at all that's been happening with the show.

Understandably so. Moments after the new season was launched on Amazon Prime Video, on October 22, the app crashed. A flurry of memes descended on Twitter even before people could finish the series. Even now, over a week since release, the hype is on (the show has been accused of abetting a real-world crime, while a scene is being altered for upsetting Hindi pulp writer, Surender Mohan Pathak).

For Pankaj, both the fanfare and the scrutiny have been a blessing. "People know me as Kaleen Bhaiya," he says. "That is what the show has done. It has made me popular. For the first time, my own hoardings were put up in India during *Mirzapur Season 1*. Before that, no cinema put up my hoardings..."

Inside the show, though, the mood is less jubilant. With the ground shrinking beneath his feet, Kaleen Bhaiya is moved to desperate measures: restoring his grip on Mirzapur while fighting off the threat of Guddu Pandit (Ali Fazal). Even more than last season, Pankaj endows the character with a grim stillness, an icy 'thahrav' that has become his signature. "Kaleen is intoxicated by the power he commands," Pankaj explains. "If fear can be induced without involving a physical action sequence then why indulge in it."

That's not an approach shared by Shweta Tripathi, who returns as a guns-blazing Golu Gupta in *Season 2*. Teaming up with Guddu, she seeks to avenge herself on Munna (Divyendu Tripathi). Along the way, she meets a slimy agent (Priyanshu Painyuli) and twin gangsters, Bharat and Shatrughan Tyagi (Vijay Varma).

"Golu as a character was happy with her studies, her books and her 'allu patties'," Shweta says. "However, because of how *Season 1* ends, everything changed. She was made to challenge her own beliefs and that is because the two people she loved the most were taken away from her."

For the action scenes, Shweta refused body doubles to retain authenticity. The guns, she says, were just as real. "I prepped with stunt director Manohar Varma for 10 days at his training arcade near film city. Ali was a big support and he would tell me if something wasn't flowing naturally and we would work on it."

Shweta feels the female characters have emerged more strongly in *Season 2*. "The world (of Mirzapur) is such that the males are more dominant. However, I'm really enjoying the growth of women in terms of how, instead of blindly attacking, you're getting inside someone's head and making them do what you want. With women you see more layers and in Season, 2 lots of things have changed."